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Senate selects Regents finalists

Ground breaking

Quick reader.
A fast grasp on the situation.
Who was selected?
Sophomores Jonathan Baker, Karen Barmann and Mina Ewing.
Who will make the final decision?
Gov. Mel Carnahan, after interviewing the candidates Saturday.

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The finalists for the University Student Regent position have been narrowed down to three.

Sophomores Jonathan Baker, Karen Barmann and Mina Ewing have been named as finalists to possibly serve on the University Board of Regents.

The appointment of the Student Regent position will be made by Gov. Mel Carnahan, after interviews, Saturday.

The Student Regent is an active member of the Board of Regents and is an advocate for the students. This person also helps the Board to understand decisions students want for the campus.

The governor has set qualifications for the position. The applicant must have two

full years remaining at their respective institution, must be registered to vote and a resident of Missouri.

The finalists were narrowed down from six applicants after they were interviewed by a committee including Angel Harris-Lewis, Student Senate president, and several other faculty members.

After the finalists were decided, Senate informed the governor's office.

The committee's decisions were based on a variety of areas, such as leadership involvement and citizenship, Harris-Lewis said.

She also said they not only thought about the knowledge of the applicants and their answers to various questions, but also how they were dressed, their communication skills, their grade point aver-

age and the amount of eye contact that was made.

"We were looking for people that wouldn't be intimidated," Harris-Lewis said. "We wanted outgoing people that could go out and get as many opinions as they can."

Everyone who submitted an application was eligible for an interview, Harris-Lewis said.

The finalists said they applied for the position to have a better influence on the decisions made by the Board.

"I really want to become more involved in the campus," Baker said. "I'm familiar with the campus and I feel I could actually give some good sugges-

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Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

The Maryville School Board and community members help to break ground Saturday at the site of the new Maryville middle school.

School district plans for future

Construction projects represent beginning of school bond's effect

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Gold-plated shovels were brought out and a bulldozer is at the site of the new middle school as the educational dreams of the community are coming true.

Almost 135 people gathered in frigid weather Sunday as the Maryville R-II School District took a giant step into the future when they broke ground on three new projects.

"Obviously, by the turnout we had, it was a great day," Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent said. "Our (high school) band is playing at the Chiefs game, (and) the Chiefs are on TV, but we still had a tremendous turnout. We just had to do it today and get on our way. The people are very excited about it."

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■ Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent

The ground breaking ceremonies, which took place at each of the three building sites, began with Bell and Bob Martin, School Board president, recognizing the Board, the community and others for their support of the project.

"We feel that we have made giant steps to the future of our young people's school today and those many who will follow after them," Bell said. "We're very appreciative that the Board and the administration has consented to allow us to go ahead with these projects."

Martin showed his gratitude for the efforts of those who gave up their time for the project.

"On behalf of the Board, we'd like to commend everybody for their hard work," Martin said. "As we stand here now, it doesn't seem like too long ago we got started on this."

Teachers, students, Board members and residents were among the people present at the ground breaking ceremonies.

"This was the most exciting day in education I've had," said Keith

Nowland, Washington Middle School principal. "The staff has worked so long and hard with the community to get this issue passed. It's going to be the educational opportunities for the students, and the staff and the community for generations to come."

Three students, one from each of the three schools included in the project, also participated in the ceremonies.

"I thought (the ground breaking) was neat," said Clint

Lawyer, a fourth-grader at Eugene Field Elementary School. "I think it will be a neat school for all of us to go to."

Although the district broke ground, the Board realizes that much work still lies ahead.

"It's very exciting to see all the planning come forth into three projects and get started," Board member James Redd said. "It's just the start of a lot of new opportunities and new work, too. It's one thing to get moving, but then all the details

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Members of Northwest Celebration rehearse Tuesday for the Yuletide Feaste. The performance will run Thursday through Sunday beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Jennie Nelson/
Missourian Staff

Yuletide Feaste

Singers continue holiday tradition

by Nathaniel Hanway
Missourian Staff

Imagine going back to the Renaissance period — full of elaborate medieval dinners, music and festive holiday spirit.

The Yuletide Feaste, sponsored by the Northwest Madralier Singers, has been a University tradition for 24 years. Like past performances, the Feaste will transform the Union Ballroom into a replica of an ancient Renaissance hall.

"When the guests walk in, they will walk over a moat and drawbridge," said Richard Weymuth, Yuletide Feaste director. "They will walk under a spiked gate and into

the hall where the actors will be performing."

Just as in medieval times, there are many customs and traditions that are passed down year to year. For Jerry Nevins, who is in his fourth year in the show, the privilege of writing the script has been passed down to him.

"Writing the script is a lot of fun; I just wrote the framework, and that is where the creative process begins with everyone in the cast," Nevins said. "I also wrote it last year, and it's passed down from year to year to someone in the cast."

Along with the atmosphere and food, several members of Northwest's music department will

showcase their talents.

"Celebration will be singing Christmas music and a Recorder Consort will be performing music from the time," Weymuth said. "The Brass Quintet will also perform."

In previous years, the event has sold out and this year is no different. Saturday's showcase is already sold out.

Part of the show's success is the affordability, Weymuth said.

"We have always tried to make the Feaste affordable to the college students," Weymuth said. "At the big colleges like (University of Missouri-Columbia), they cost \$50 a person."

The Feaste generates an enjoyable environment for the guests, and for the performers as well.

"It's a lot of fun, but it is a lot of hard work and dedication," Celebration member Eric Woodward said. "This is my third year being in the Yuletide Feaste, and it leaves us with a good feeling of the yuletide season."

The Feaste is not only performed on campus, but the group also travels to different schools all over the northwest Missouri area.

The Feaste will begin tonight at 6:30 p.m. and continue through Saturday in the Union Ballroom.

Tickets are \$14 for students and \$17 for non-Northwest students.

CANCER DIAGNOSIS CHANGES LIFE

Coroner fights battle from within



■ Community offers support after rare cancer attacks

by Lindsey Corey
Community News Editor

When Dennis Martin thought about dying, he always imagined something heroic.

He pictured a terrifying event. A home engulfed in a blazing inferno with the smell of smoke becoming almost unbearable — flames everywhere. All that could be heard were the screams of a frantic mother and shrill sirens.

"I always figured I'd get killed on some scene," said the volunteer firefighter of 18 years.

Instead, Martin is battling a fire from within — cancer.

Even though Martin has been diagnosed with stage four esophageal carcinoma, they "haven't taken away my gear yet."

Dying in the line of duty "could still happen," Martin said. "People hear 'cancer' and think it's all over. I can't assume life is over because I've been diagnosed with cancer."

There are no early detection tests used to screen the general public for cancer of the esophagus. In most cases, the cancer is discovered because of the symptoms it causes, according to the American Cancer Society. Diagnosis of patients without symptoms is rare and usually accidental. Unfortunately, most esophageal cancers do not cause symptoms until they have advanced to a stage at which a cure is unlikely.

That was the case with Martin.

His cancer was not discovered until it had progressed to stage four — the disease's final stage.

"You hear about how chemotherapy increases the odds of surviving," Martin said. "But this doesn't have a survival factor. There ain't no five years later."

Martin was experiencing difficulties eating in August. This was the first indication that there may be a tumor in his esophagus. The tumor disguised itself as a gastroesophageal reflux, a much less serious condition. Doctors treated the symptoms of the reflux for about a month, but nothing happened.

The next step was to do an endoscopic examination. Doctors looked inside the esophagus through a flexible, lighted tube and ran tests on the tumor around the end of September. Much to the Martin's relief, the biopsy results came back benign.

But the relief was only temporary. Martin was diagnosed with cancer Oct. 6. The tumor was not only malignant, but it had spread.

As the cancer progressed, Martin had found it more and more difficult to do simple, every day tasks that he used to take for granted.

"Just going up a flight of stairs is a day's work," he said.

There isn't an element of Martin's life the disease has left untouched.

"Its impact is that it makes me not the same person," he said. "I'm a reader. It used to be unheard of for me not to get through an 800-page novel in three days."

Now, about all he can finish is a few of the cards he receives. The various medications he is prescribed affect his concentration.

Martin has had to stop his job performing housing inspections at Community Services, Inc. He was working on a high-tech weatherization project when he became ill.

"I hate not being able to work," he said. "I'd like to get up enough strength to go in and build a (weatherization) model."

Another of Martin's duties is serving as the



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Dennis Martin (right) sits with the Rev. Charles Tobin of St. Gregory's Catholic Church. Martin has been the Maryville Coroner since last November's election. He has also been a volunteer firefighter for the city.

Nodaway County coroner, which he was appointed to last year.

"I don't want to leave the Governor out on a limb," he said. "It's taken care of, though. I have a good deputy, Tom Scarborough."

Another void in his life is the fire department because he volunteered there for many years.

"Man, I loved that," he said. "We have one of the better fire departments in the Midwest. They're good. I'm really proud of them."

Martin had to be fed through a tube for two

months. Since then, his doctors have not restricted his diet, but the cancer and medications have.

"If it'll hold still and I can get it in me, it's on my diet," Martin said. "I also look for flavor to get past the medication. It's amazing how important eating is."

Martin feels lucky to have most of his immediate family live in town.

His oldest son and daughter-in-law recently

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Celebration' forgets academics in praise

Gov. Mel Carnahan visited Northwest last week, but if you blinked on Tuesday, you would have missed it.

Those who managed to attend, however, noticed something else missing: praise for academics.

During the gathering to celebrate Northwest's receiving the 1997 Missouri Quality Award, Carnahan, along with University President Dean Hubbard, expelled considerable breath to congratulate Northwest for its advances in quality (naturally), renovations (who could miss them?) and technology.

Perhaps it was the short time frame for the celebration that caused the speakers to forget to include the University's fine academic departments in their verbiage. But really, that's no excuse. We may have won the Quality Award for our forward-thinking ideas, but what makes Northwest great is the quality of its academic departments.

However, the "celebration" seemed to say Northwest can be proud of two things: our winning athletic teams and the actions of administrators.

Granted, one of the most exciting parts of Northwest recently has been our teams — football and cross country in particular brought us a lot of pride. However, during Tuesday's mini-celebration, it was easy to forget why we're here: academics.

A brief rundown of some programs will show what they missed:

■ **Accounting:** This department has produced a stellar lineup of graduates who have gone on to high-ranking positions at big U.S. companies.

■ **Agriculture:** It's no secret that farming is a way of life in this part of the country, and our agriculture department is producing graduates who are ready to take their role in — and meet the demands of — this field.

■ **Computer Science/Information Systems:** Carnahan praised the Electronic Campus, but what about the department that is using that electronic campus to its fullest potential?

■ **Curriculum and Instruction:** At Horace Mann Lab School, college students receive real-world training that cannot be duplicated, and the elementary school children receive a great education.

■ **Geography/Geology:** In 1990, it was named the No. 2 program in the nation by a group of independent researchers.

■ **Music:** One of the most vocal — literally — departments is also one of the best recruiters.

■ **Mass Communication:** Every aspect of this department excels in its field: The print media continue to win national recognition and awards, and broadcasting organizations do as well.

Perhaps if the celebration had not been two days after Thanksgiving vacation, everyone involved would have had more time to prepare.

We're not trying to be sourpusses about the celebration; it was nice to try to give everyone an opportunity to be excited about this honor that Northwest has received. But this celebration left a sour taste in the mouths of many people at Northwest, and in the future, administrators need to understand that there is more to Northwest than athletics and orange fences.



Our View

OF THE COMMUNITY

Don't be a Scrooge; help others during the holidays

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, but not necessarily for everyone.

There are many less fortunate people in this area who may not be as excited for the coming of Christmas. It is the duty of everyone else to make sure their Christmas is just as wonderful.

Many local individuals and organizations are already making an extra effort to spread the Holiday cheer. We want to commend these people and the unselfishness of their deeds.

The Angel Tree serves as a reminder that there are children in Nodaway County. Without the help from others, they would not be smiling Christmas morning.

There is an abundance of groups willing to help in Maryville as well.

Wal-Mart is donating a percentage of its sales to Toys for Tots. It also has a tree, similar to the Angel Tree sponsored by the Red Cross which is sending coats and clothing to families in need.

The proceeds from the Maryville Jaycees' Christmas trees will help support local Toys for Tots and the Nodaway County Food Pantry. The Jaycees are also sponsoring a Rent-a-Santa with proceeds going to the family they have adopted.

Local grocery stores such as Food 4 Less and Easter's Foods also are helping charities by hosting "demonstrations."

The Chamber of Commerce is heading a Santa shopping spree and along with local businesses are offering drawings for

Chamber bucks with prizes ranging from \$350-\$500.

The holiday season is a time of giving, and there are many great opportunities here to spread the yuletide cheer in Maryville.

All area residents should help the less fortunate and rally behind these local businesses.

Don't be a Scrooge — it is up to you to make sure that others can enjoy this time of year.



Maryville Department of Transportation Fact No. 70: Did you know Maryville is the only city in the union to plow their snow to the middle of the street?

My Turn

Last 2 cents: Graduating seniors bid farewell after 4.5 years



■ Chris Gelnosky

Advice on college life — from friendships to internships — is this senior's graduation present to undergrads

Well, I can't believe it. Years of hard work, dedication and perseverance have paid off — OK, those all-nighters paid off.

Soon I will be an alumnus from Northwest, so don't worry. If I can do it, that means you still have hope.

After spending the last four and a half years in the 'Ville, I feel like I know this place inside-out. Let me tell you, if you're seeking consultation or professional help, you're coming to the wrong place.

But I can still offer some pretty good advice to you underclassmen. Here's some things you always want to remember.

■ Freshmen, lose the high school letterman jackets. Everybody wants to be a Bearcat!

■ Even if you think you don't have any friends, don't worry, there's always Velma the Wal-Mart greeter. If you don't have a car, there's Cathy at Freshens.

■ Make sure you get everything from your parents now. When you reach my age, you get a conscience and feel bad asking for money.

■ Don't put up with your

roommate's crap. He has to go to class some time, so you can get him back.

■ Guys, date someone on campus so when your Bearcat card runs out of money, you can have her pay for your meals.

■ Try to avoid that dreaded trek on U.S. 71 between Maryville and St. Joe — nuff said.

■ Make sure you do some kind of internship in college. That way after graduation, you can tell your co-workers at the grocery how it was a great place to work.

■ Guys, don't worry about women. The more you know, the more confused you get. Trust me on this one.

■ Just have fun and be yourself because this won't last forever.

There, that oughta get you through college. Hey, nobody ever called me "Dear Abby," but I tried my best.

Now, before I finish the last column in my collegiate career, I need to recognize some people that helped me get here.

■ Publications adviser Laura Widmer — I still don't know how she does all the things she does, and I can't believe she put up with

me for four years!

■ The Maryville High School staff and coaches — I hope you enjoyed working with me as much as I enjoyed working you all of you. Go 'Hounds!

■ Terry Barmann and Lee Miller — Wanna know anything about officiating the game of baseball? Boy, these guys are good at what they do.

■ Gene Cassell (his ego has to be riding high now) — He directly and indirectly taught me many of the things I now about journalism today, even if he doesn't have much hair left.

■ All of my friends, and there are many of you — you guys are what made my experience here the best.

And even though we may be going our separate ways, our memories will always keep us together.

Thank you to everybody, and good luck in the future. But don't worry, I'll be back for Homecoming — as long as I can find a damn parking space.

Chris Gelnosky will graduate with a major in journalism and a minor in broadcasting.

My Turn



■ Corbin Pierce

Four and a half years of haircuts, banking and Greek life leave fond memories

I received my mail the other day and found that I will be graduating, but there will be a fee. I thought it was odd that I was assessed the fee, but it almost seemed fitting.

All this means that I must say good-bye and thank you to some wonderful people and this institution.

However, instead of saying good-bye, I am going to leave you with some helpful pieces of advice that I have gathered over the past four and a half years and a few thank yous.

■ Eating at Tower isn't that bad. Over the years, I have grown accustomed to the taste of their steaks. You see, if you get a soufflé cup and fill it half with ranch dressing and half with A-1 Steak Sauce and mix it up, it takes the steak to the next level. I know it sounds gross, it looks gross, but it tastes good.

■ I used to think that Roosevelt Bank was the best bank in the town. You see, I used to bank at another spot on the square. However, I was treated somewhat like a child, and I didn't feel like I was treated in a fair manner. So I moved my services to Roosevelt, which is now Mercantile. The ladies that worked there were the nicest bunch of adults I have ever worked with. They were always more than willing to talk to me, let me know of a special deal and they always called me by name. I truly felt like I was banking back home. Mercantile has taken over, and it sucks. The people are rude and the service is horrible. They said, "The customer won't even be able to tell we've made changes." The

Roosevelt ladies look at me when I go in and the look on their face is like, "I'm sorry." So I'm not going to bank there anymore. The point of this section is to say thank you to those ladies that made banking at Roosevelt easy for me during college.

■ Getting a haircut to some guys is not a big deal. To me, however, it is as important as the clothes I wear. So just not any place will do. I was getting my haircut at this one place. The price for a haircut was like \$5 or something. Except, he only knew one style. High and tight. I'd say just a trim today and he'd say ... High and tight! The cue ball look isn't for me, so I found a place called Looks Salon. I have been getting my hair cut there for most of my college career. Pam was the best stylist, I use that term in a masculine manner, I have ever had. I would call and say "Pam I need a haircut today," and she would bump people just for me to get a simple haircut.

■ To the mass communication department, I truly feel sorry for students who just go to class, get their degrees and leave. I have been lucky to be apart of a department where I feel like I am a part of it. From this newspaper to the radio. You know how the athletes on campus work hard in their sport when they aren't in class. Well, broadcasting and journalism students are working hard on the *Missourian*, *KXCV*, *KDLX*, *KNWT*, *Heartland View* and *Tower Yearbook*. This department is one of the trendsetting departments in the college industry. If you don't

believe me, then go look on the walls of the journalism and broadcasting departments. Did you know that the broadcasting department has a full production company that creates corporate videos for major companies and the journalism department sets the pace in multimedia for colleges around the country? That's impressive.

■ Finally, to the Residence Hall Association for encouraging me to be in a Greek organization. Yes, RHA. My freshman year, I hung out with guys on my floor, and we did everything together. One time my whole floor streaked from Phillips Hall to Hudson Hall. Besides saying perversion, it says that 30 guys got along great and had a lot of fun together — all thanks to RHA. But you know what, the typical thing at Northwest happened. They all transferred or dropped out. I had nothing, except my major.

I decided to rush Delta Chi. It was fun because it reminded me of the fun my friends and I had my freshman year. I loved it, so I joined. I catch a lot of slack for it, too. I laugh when people say "God Damn Independent" or some other kind of acrostic.

You see, I have tried GDI. It wasn't for me. It's like eating vegetables when you are little. "How do you know you don't like them if you haven't tried them?" my mom would say. Remember that.

Be involved, be sociable and have fun. You're only here once.

Corbin Pierce will graduate with a major in broadcasting and a minor in journalism.

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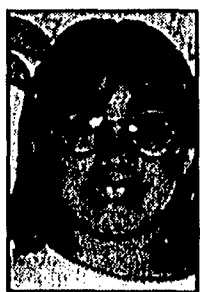
It's Your Turn

What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas?



"A go-cart and roller skates and my two front teeth."

Josh Wagner, age 6



"I want Barbie dolls and roller skates."

Kendra Wagner, age 7



"I want Miko from Pocahontas."

Allyson Carter, age 3



"A 3D puzzle — they're not flat, they build up."

Seth Scott, age 6



"A bear, because I just do."

Lee Martin, age 4



"Farm stuff and that's all."

Trevor Hines, age 4

Virus infects many campus computers

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

If you still have papers to write and need to use computers at Owens Library or other buildings on campus, watch out before opening your Microsoft Word document.

A new strain of virus has infected Microsoft Word in many computers on campus, and the virus has spread and created problems for many users.

A Word document becomes in-

fected with the virus after users save it on the infected computer. Sometimes the document can be recovered in other forms such as in a template.

One of the major problems is that users have to retype what they have written because they cannot open the document. In the worst case, the document is destroyed.

"Unfortunately, I've been working on these assignments (that now have the virus) for the past four weeks," said Kelson Thomas, engineering computer major. "Right now,

I've got a headache because all my files were scrambled because viruses are difficult to analyze now. I don't know what to do (with my assignments)."

Thomas said he asked computer lab assistants for help, but they could not solve the problems.

Tabatha Verbick, academic computing user consultant, said although she is not sure how the new virus was brought into the library, the current anti-virus program cannot protect against the new strain of virus.

"The anti-virus program protects all the viruses (known of at that time) once the anti-virus is released," Verbick said. "New strains of viruses can come out, which means an anti-virus program can't catch (them) because it doesn't know of (them)."

Verbick said the only solution is to upgrade the anti-virus software. But she cannot do it now because the operation takes time and there are more than 100 computers in the library.

Verbick also said many users

would be upset if the consultants updated the software because it is a busy time for many students in the semester.

"I plan, in January, (before spring semester) to drop all the hard drives here and fresh load to update the 'Norton Anti-Virus' (anti-virus software) to the most current version at this point, which should help even more against viruses," Verbick said.

However, Verbick said she will not update the anti-virus software in the computers in the residence halls

because that's the students responsibility.

Verbick recommended three temporary ways to deal with the new strains of virus for the Word users. One is to print out the document often, so that way they can retype the document if it is lost.

The second tip for users is to ask lab assistants if they do not know what to do. Finally, all individuals should purchase anti-virus software which is available in the bookstore and they keep updating.

Conference Center opens for finals

RHA, Student Senate sponsors alternate study environment for exams

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Many students use the library as a place to study during finals week. However, for those who need additional time than library hours, the Residence Hall Association and Student Senate is opening the Conference Center as an alternative place to study during finals week.

Beginning Monday, it will be available for students from 11:30 p.m. until 7:30 a.m. throughout the week.

RHA and Student Senate want to provide students an opportunity to get their work done in a quiet at-

mosphere where they will not be interrupted by others.

Free coffee and doughnuts are incentives for studying in the Conference Center.

RHA has sponsored the study session for the last three years. The turnout averages 150 students a night.

RHA president Jeff Lukens said it is a good place to study because it gives the students a change of environment and puts them in a setting for the purpose of studying.

"A lot of times, all people need is a change of atmosphere to get their studying done," Lukens said. "And the good turnouts show that students do like it."

The Conference Center will be split into three sections. One section will be for individual study, one for

group study and the third section will be a break room.

There won't be any reference materials or computers provided for students, but the building does have data ports for students to plug in their personal computers.

Lukens said students can come and go as they please throughout the night.

RHA hopes this service will help the students. Josh Skidmore, biology/psychology major, said it is an opportunity that should be taken advantage of if it fits the student's personal schedules.

"I think if I was going to study at 1 a.m. and I needed some doughnuts, I would definitely go," Skidmore said. "It sounds like a good plan and could be really beneficial for students."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Denise Hastings, right, who portrayed Mrs. Claus in the children's Christmas show, talks with children who

came to the Charles Johnson Theater for the production Friday night. The show ran Friday through Saturday.

Play offers Christmas twist

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

How many times can a psychiatric patient be described as jolly, bearded and having a tummy that shook like a bowl full of jelly?

As odd as that may sound, members of Alpha Psi Omega portrayed that picture last weekend in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The honorary theater fraternity performed its annual children's Christmas show which gave Maryville residents a chance to enjoy a Christmas show and learn several lessons.

The show, "Santa Sees a Shrink," was \$1 or a canned food item donation for the Maryville Food Pantry.

The show has been a tradition at Northwest since the 60s, said Charles Schultz, fraternity sponsor and theater professor.

Although it is a children's show, this year's attraction has been viewed by all age groups.

"We were expecting 200-300 people for the shows on campus; mostly kids and college students who were seeing it for theater appreciation class," play director

Nate Stuber said. "This script was written more to the adult audience than in the past, making it enjoyable to all ages."

It was Stuber's first experience in the director's chair and an enjoyable one.

"It has been a lot of fun," Stuber said. "I had a good, energetic cast that made it easy to work."

The show is very important to Alpha Psi Omega's because it is their major fund-raising event for the year. The group will take the show on the road to several other venues in the area, such as Ravenwood and Shenandoah, Iowa.

Schultz said the group has an honorary fee at each show they perform to cover the traveling expenses.

Overall, the show was enjoyed last weekend by those involved.

"I hope it shows good, Christmas spirit," Schultz said. "It is entertaining to the school and a service to the community."

The show is not only for entertainment but will give the cast more acting experience.

"It is a valuable experience for the kids to adapt and adjust to all facilities in which they must perform their craft," Schultz said.

Fall 1997 Finals Schedule

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Communications 102

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December 15, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 16, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
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December 16, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
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December 18, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

Classes meeting for the first time in the week:

Monday, December 15
11 a.m. Monday
2 p.m. Monday
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Tuesday
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Tuesday, December 16
8 a.m. Tuesday
11 a.m. Tuesday
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Noon Monday
3 p.m., 3:30 p.m. or 3:35 p.m.
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Friday, December 19
10 a.m. Tuesday
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Date and hour of final examination

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
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The Missourian prints this schedule as a service to students, but students are encouraged to check with instructors for official finals times.

Heather Alnge/Missourian Staff

Bands join forces for game

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

The Bearcat and Spoofhound marching band members performed during the halftime show at the Kansas City Chiefs football game Sunday.

"It went by in a hurry with eight minutes to play," said Al Sergel, Northwest band director. "I was very pleased, (because they) don't get to warm up and it (was) cold."

Despite the weather, the adrenaline was flowing throughout the band.

Also being in front of 70,000 Chiefs' fans made performing in an NFL stadium more exciting for many band members.

"It was incredible and awesome to perform in front of that many people," said Alan Hutchcraft, drumline section leader. "It was a good experience for both to learn

what it is like to play with higher level experience, on the same hand (it) calls for them to (both) get better."

It was the second time the Northwest band performed at a Chiefs game. Although there were a few first time performers in the squad.

"I was very nervous, but I thought we did a good job," said Jennifer Will, Northwest saxophone player. "Seventy thousand people is a lot of people to play in front of, but involving the high school made things seem even better."

Having the high school band join the University band was a decision made over the summer when Sergel asked Dennis Dau, Maryville High School band director, to perform part of the show with them.

"It was a great opportunity for the high school students and was a way to give the students an educational opportunity," Dau said.

Both groups worked hard to make the experience a positive one. They worked on the music individually to prepare each band separately, Dau said.

"The last week, both bands got together to practice to put everything together," Andrea Stiens, Maryville trumpet player said. "It was a little work, especially plying the first trumpet part with the notes a lot higher."

High performance was the result the hard work of the many students that were involved.

Bill Dodd, Maryville High School band director, wrote the drill formation in collaboration with Sergel, setting the forms up to allow both bands to join together.

Elisabeth Crawford, Northwest feature twirler, worked in combining auxiliary flag twirler work, and John Milligan, flag corps coordinator designed the auxiliary flag corps work.

Regents

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tions as to what the students want."

Student Regent Marissa Sanchez said the job is a difficult task that takes responsibility and articulation, but is an incredible opportunity.

"It's been rewarding to become familiar with the interworkings of the campus, as well as being on a different level with the students and the faculty," Sanchez said.

The position, which is required at all state schools in Missouri, was established through state legislation.

We cover the news that affects you.

Northwest Missourian

First woman's group produces magazine

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

The Northwest Beta Sigma Phi chapter, a women's group on campus, is entering uncharted waters as plans its debut issue of Lynx, a feminist magazine.

"This is an opportunity for a magazine with a woman's point of view," club president Joannie Kidder said. "We hope it reflects what goes on in a woman's life from a wide variety of viewpoints."

Kidder realizes completing the 64-page journal will not be an easy task.

"It will be a challenge, and there will be a lot to learn as we go," she said. "We don't expect it to be perfect, but we will give it our best shot."

The club is looking for works by students, faculty and community members.

If someone would like to have their work published they can submit a piece to the club for consideration. They are looking for poetry, fiction, nonfiction, art and photography.

Beta Sigma Phi will fund the magazine by charging \$3 for each issue, as well as fund raisers and applying for a grant.

"Our mission is to provoke thought and experience from the woman's perspective," Kidder said. "We hope to provide a tie between campus and community."

Kidder expects the magazine to come out in March which corresponds with Women's History month.

Entries should be addressed to Lynx in care of Beta Sigma Phi and delivered to the campus mail center located in Thompson-Ringold.

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Couple travels to Africa, fights polio epidemic

■ Retired physician, wife volunteer time giving children vaccine

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Hunger, drought and war are the usual images that come to mind when Africa is mentioned.

However, another problem is virtually running unchecked through the continent. Even though it hasn't been seen in the Western Hemisphere since 1991, polio is an epidemic that affects millions of African children from jungles to deserts.

Although it may seem far away from most people's everyday lives, two Maryville residents are concerned with the spread of polio in Africa.

Retired physician Robert Dunshee and his wife, Winifred, recently spent a week in Ethiopia giving polio vaccinations at free health clinics.

"Sometimes we don't look beyond our own communities," Dunshee said. "What some people don't realize is that their community today is about 25,000 miles around."

As many as nine million children were treated Nov. 12-14 in a countrywide program called National Immunization Days (NIDs), Dunshee said.

More than 500 children were treated in one morning alone, and more than 180 doctors from around

the world volunteered for the program.

The polio vaccine is not difficult to administer. It is an oral vaccine, and it only takes a couple of drops on the tongue to immunize a child. Adults are rarely treated for polio because they have already built up an immunity.

"We went to very primitive clinics," Dunshee said. "One day we even delivered a baby. Workers used such primitive things as pressure cookers to sterilize equipment."

NIDs are set up by Polio Plus Partners, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and governments around the world. At a recent NID in India, more than 70 million children were immunized against polio in one week.

The program began more than 10 years ago when the Rotary International originally set out to eradicate the polio virus. Their goal was to raise \$120 million. Amazingly, over \$240 million was raised to provide the vaccine around the world.

More than \$400 million dollars has been spent for the vaccines so far, Dunshee said. These funds are still not adequately meeting the world's needs.

"We take (the polio vaccine) for granted," Dunshee said. "We're so lucky in the United States; we tend to forget that other people in the world aren't."

Africa is a reservoir for polio de-



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
Robert and Winifred Dunshee spent a week in Ethiopia immunizing children with the polio vaccine. They wore uniforms to identify them as volunteers in Africa's National Immunization Day.

spite concentrated efforts to eliminate it, Dunshee said. The main reason for this is the vaccine must be refrigerated which is a difficult task in the humid jungles of Africa.

"The vaccine must be delivered by foot, bus, runners, canoes and even helicopters," Dunshee said. "We have developed an insulated container to get the vaccine to the darkest areas of Africa."

However, another major obstacle the workers had to overcome was fear. The doctors found out a rumor had started that the doctors were trying to spread HIV.

"I've always been interested in Africa, and I think it has lots of potential — if they can get their act together," Dunshee said. "It's hard to fight that kind of ignorance."

Dunshee has been with the Ro-

program since its start. He has helped raise money as well as provided his services as a physician. Dunshee is dedicated to fighting polio for two reasons.

"No. 1, I'm a physician, and I'm dedicated to provide good health to people," he said. "No. 2, I remember when polio closed the public pool. It was a scary time for a lot of people."

His childhood experience with polio made Dunshee eager for the opportunity to help fight the disease in Ethiopia.

"It really got to me," he said. "I had the opportunity to go and finish this crusade (against polio). I would like to leave this footprint behind me."

For millions of children in Africa, footprints left by people such as Dunshee could lead them to a longer and healthier life.



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
A nurse in Ethiopia shows a child how the polio vaccine is administered. As many as nine million children were treated by volunteers at free clinics Nov. 12-14 during National Immunization Days in Africa.

Ground

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that have to take place at this point, and (there are) lots of challenges ahead."

The building project is a combination of a new middle school building at West South Hills Drive as well as additions to Eugene Field Elementary School and Maryville High School.

The project should get underway

as soon as possible, depending on the weather, Bell said. The district is anticipating that the elementary and high school projects will be finished by August of 1998, while the middle school building should be completed by the end of April 1999.

Barbara Heckathorn, Eugene Field Elementary School principal, said the additions will provide an exceptional opportunity for the children's future.

"We have been very, very crowded at Eugene Field," Heckathorn said. "It is a fantastic thing that says the community truly cares about the education of their children and they are looking towards the future, and appropriately providing for the children of the community."

Ray Courter, School Board vice president, was part of the very first steering committee on the bond is-

sue. He and other board members continued to do research on the project. It took seven bond issues before a general obligation bond issue of \$9.485 million passed April 1, 1997.

"I've had an interest in school issues for a long, long time," Courter said. "I'm pleased the community saw it fit this time to vote for the proposal. I'm really thankful that the community took as long as it did in

one sense because it turned out to be the best set of circumstances and best proposal we could have come up with. The community had an insight, and I believe that was very important."

The district can begin working towards their ultimate goal of improving the educational standards and technology of all of the Maryville's schools.

"It means that there are youth in the years to come that will have the

type of facilities and programs that they'll be able to be educated in, so they can go out and beat the world," Redd said. "With all the technology and all the challenges taking place, all the needs for education and personalization in education that this will allow, is really great for our community, and to know that our youth here in Maryville will have an opportunity to compete worldwide."

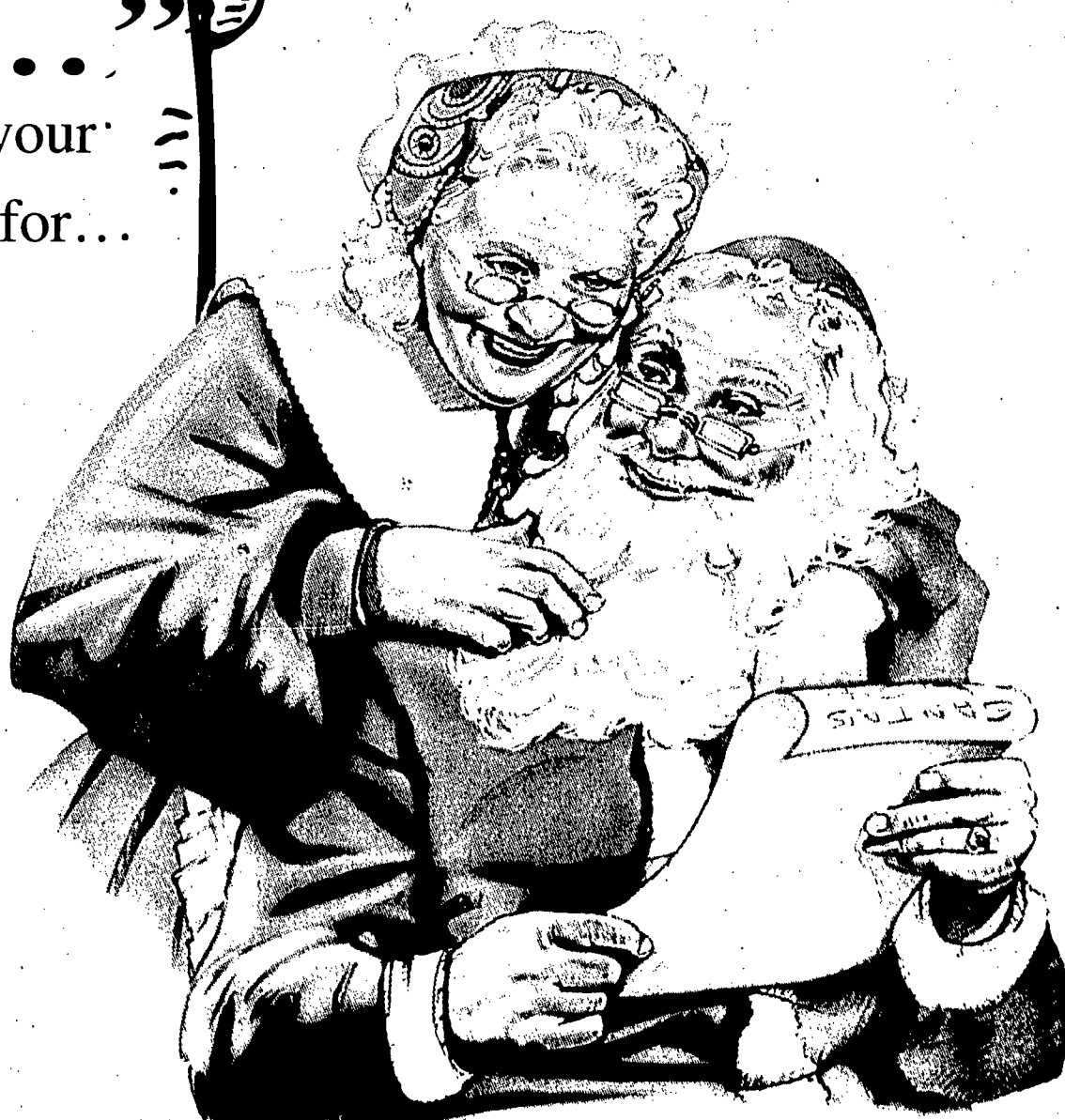
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Residents gather to honor banker

by **Toru Yamauchi**
Chief Reporter

Celebrating a promotion and wishing an influential Maryville man farewell brought many people to the University Conference Center Tuesday.

Rollie Stadlman was promoted last month to executive vice president of Citizen's Bank and Trust in Chillicothe. He will move after Christmas.

Stadlman has worked as the executive vice president for First Bank CBC for five years. The promotion also puts him in charge of marketing at three banks.

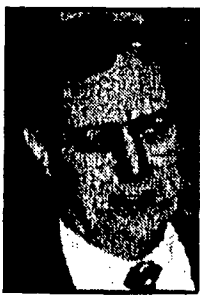
Stadlman worked at Northwest until 1991 for 21 years. He was one of the founders of KXCV, director of broadcasting, Alumni Relations director and executive assistant to University President Dean Hubbard.

Stadlman has lived in Maryville since 1965. This promotion is a new opportunity for Stadlman.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity and hopefully continuing to contribute to the growth of the company," Stadlman said.

Although Stadlman was proud of being part of the new bank, he said he would miss Maryville.

"We (Stadlman and his wife) wish we



■ **Rollie Stadlman**

could stay in the community," he said. "We leave with some sadness and look forward to the start of an adventure."

Stadlman's influence will make many local people miss him.

"We're

very sad to lose him because Rollie is not only an effective banker, but he's been a most effective citizen in Maryville," said Robert Foster, former University president. "We'll always think of Rollie as a part of campus and Maryville."

Mike Johnson, Alumni Relations director, and a Northwest student and broadcasting major when Stadlman was the director of broadcasting, said he cannot imagine Maryville without him.

"It's hard to envision what Maryville is going to be like without Rollie," Johnson said. "He is someone I always looked up to."

Martin

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moved back to Maryville and his youngest son attends Northwest and lives at home. The Martins' daughter goes to the Colorado Institute of Art.

Despite Martin's illness, the family is trying to make the best of this holiday season. They were able to go to Norfolk, Neb., to see his family for Thanksgiving and have already made travel plans for Christmas.

"I need to get to Texas and Colorado," he said. "I've got friends there that introduced Paula and I. The doctors will let me go. I'm pushy."

It hurts Martin to see his family going through this pain.

"It's a hell of a lot easier on me than anybody else," he said. "They have to deal with the cancer and me."

From what Martin can tell, his family's handling the news of his cancer courageously.

"They try to protect me," he said. "I don't see a lot of it except maybe a little through a crack."

Martin has faced the fact that he may not see his family develop into the future.

"My wife (Paula) was planning on having me around for another 30 years," he said. "I was planning on seeing my grandchildren."

Martin's gratitude also extends to his friends and all of Maryville.

"People come out of the woodwork," he said. "If you're not standing in the right place at the right time,

you'll never see this about Maryville. It's amazing."

From the beginning, community members and friends have taken on the role of good samaritans. The Martin home has had somewhat of a revolving door since the diagnosis.

"People are always dropping in to offer their support," he said. "There's two or three guys that walk away from their jobs to take me to coffee three times a week. It's great."

Martin said there are countless individuals who want to help. He is still amazed by the people who always make time for him.

"They've got no agenda, except me," he said. "That's selflessness beyond a call."

The local firefighters sponsored a dance in Martin's honor in November at the Legion Club.

Martin was worried about how long he would be able to stand at the event. Just as he was getting ready to go, a few friends drove up to his house.

They loaded his chair in the back of the truck and took it to the dance.

"I even got to dance twice," he said. "There were a bunch of people I hadn't seen for a long time. It was a hoot getting together."

Much to his surprise, the city declared Nov. 14, Dennis Martin Day.

The firefighters also surprised Martin during Northwest's Homecoming.

"My big goal was to get home for the parade," he said. "The guys had put a big 'Welcome Home Dennis' sign on the fire truck."

"People come out of the woodwork. If you're not standing in the right place at the right time, you'll never see this about Maryville."

■ **Dennis Martin, Maryville resident**

Several people even gathered their frequent flyer miles to bring Martin's daughter home for Thanksgiving.

Road to Recovery, a group of retired residents, provided transportation and company for Martin when he was receiving treatment five days a week. Without the help of these volunteers, Paula would have had to quit her job to transport her husband.

Martin has always taken an honest approach with his friends and family.

"I haven't kept any secrets," he said. "I'm pretty much what-you-see-is-what-you-get. I'm a real poor liar."

Martin said that way it is easier on his friends. They don't have to ask uncomfortable questions and they don't wonder how he's doing.

"It's terribly hard on them," he said. "But that way, they can deal with it and I don't feel like I'm mistreating them."

Martin went through a course of radiation and chemotherapy at Heartland Health System Cancer Center in St. Joseph.

A recent CAT scan revealed that the original radiation successfully shrunk the tumor in the esophagus, but the rest of the cancerous tissue had spread through the blood stream to his liver.

"The tumor is large and fast growing," he said. "It travels faster than I'll get out."

The treatments have caused Martin to lose nearly 40 pounds.

"Except for the swelling in my face and neck, I look like a damn refugee," he said.

Right now, he is trying to gain some of the weight back and strengthen his legs.

Martin was scheduled to begin radical chemotherapy this week. There is a 50 percent chance the chemotherapy will be effective. There is also a 50 percent chance it will accelerate the disease.

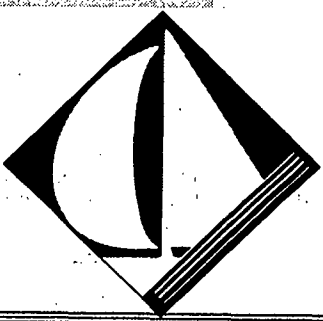
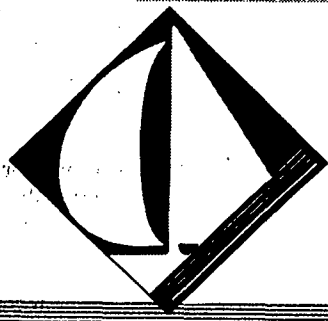
"It's sort of depressing," he said. "I'm not looking out that huge of a window."

His doctors have not given Martin a life expectancy.

"It's months, not years," he said. "I'd like to make it to my 50th birthday in May. I'm also shooting for our 30th anniversary next November, but that will be a stretch."

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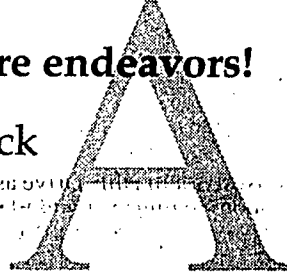
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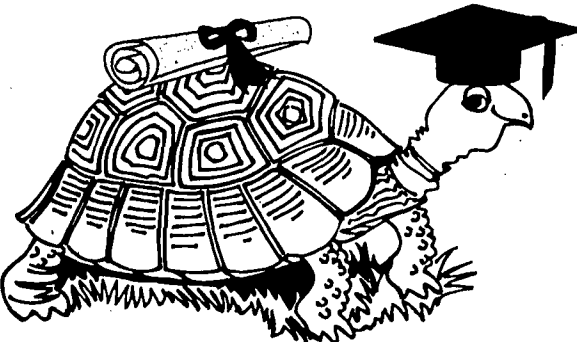
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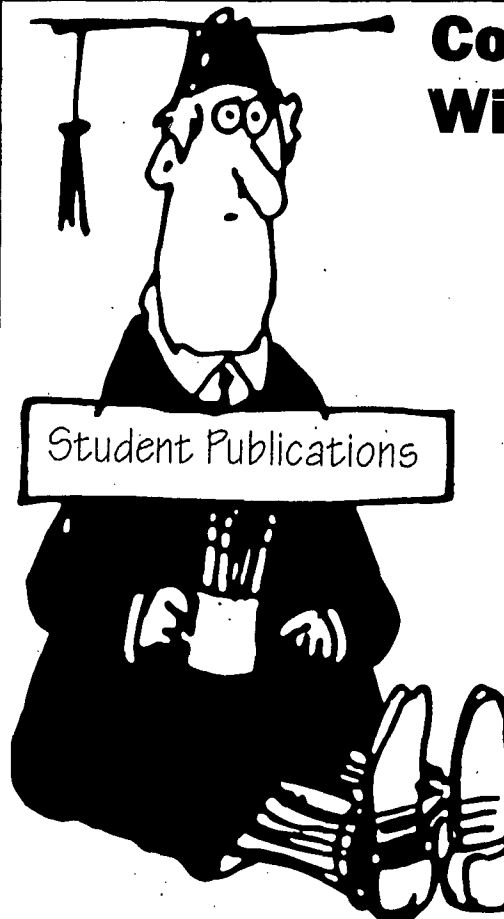
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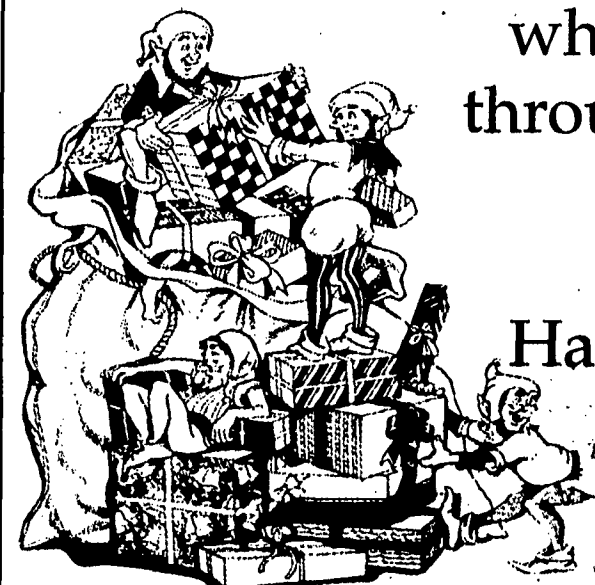
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Public Safety

December 4

While on patrol in the 600 block of North Main Street, an officer observed a vehicle cross over the center line. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Andrew P. Peterson, 20, Maryville. While talking with the driver, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he failed to complete a field sobriety test successfully and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

While on patrol in the area of Buchanan and Lincoln streets an officer saw a vehicle with a headlight out. While talking with the driver Christopher L. Veatch, 20, St. Joseph, an odor of intoxicants was detected and he was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he unsuccessfully completed a field sobriety test and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit.

Brandi L. Hicks, Maryville, was westbound on College Park Drive, approaching College Avenue. Brooke J. Cashion, Overland Park, Kan., was traveling west on College Avenue approaching College Park Drive. Hicks was unable to stop because of road conditions and struck Cashion.

Jennifer L. Clement, Maryville, and Debra C. Henggeler, Ravenwood, were both traveling south on Main Street. Clement said Henggeler applied the brakes and Clement put her brakes on and fish-tailed striking Henggeler's vehicle in the rear. No citations were issued.

December 6

While an officer was on patrol in the 1100 block of East Halsey, he observed a vehicle fail to stop at a stop sign. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Terry L. Messick, 42, Maryville. While talking with the driver, an odor of intoxicants was detected and she was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after she could not complete a field sobriety test successfully and her blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. She was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a stop sign.

Witnesses reported that Keith M. Swinford, Maryville, was backing up and struck the vehicle of Kipp E. Feldt, Maryville, then left the scene. After getting a description of Swinford's vehicle, it was located and citations for failure to exercise highest degree of care and leaving the scene were issued to Swinford.

December 7

A 1988 Ford Bronco II was towed from Fourth and Walnut streets where it was illegally parked.

Jerry R. Pye and Susan L. Grace, both of Maryville, were traveling south on Main Street. Grace slowed in traffic and her vehicle was struck in the rear by Pye. A citation was issued to Pye for failure to exercise the highest degree of care.

New Arrivals

Michael Andrew Holley

Chuck and Patty Holley, Maryville, are the parents of Michael Andrew, born Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Grandparents are Norman and Louise Andrews, St. Joseph; and John and Colleen Holley, Shell Rock, Iowa.

Payton Jeanne Ternus

Dana Schulz and Jason Ternus, Maryville, are the parents of Payton Jeanne, born Dec. 2 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Robin Schulz and Gale Jungemann-Schulz, Seward, Neb.; and Mary and Jerry Ternus, Goehner, Neb.

Campus Safety Obituaries

December 1

Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

A student reported the theft of their student identification and it was used fraudulently. An investigation was conducted, and the charges were found to be made by owner of the card. The report was forwarded to the vice president of Student Affairs.

December 2

Campus Safety investigated a property damage report in a building on campus. The suspect was located and issued a summons to the vice president of Student Affairs.

Campus Safety investigated a report of an unwanted guest. The information was unfounded.

Campus Safety responded to a building on campus in reference to a student in need of help. Contact was made with the student, and the individual was transported to St. Francis Hospital for further evaluation.

December 3

Campus Safety investigated a report of property damage on campus. An investigation was initiated.

Robert Mutti

Robert M. Mutti, 85, Hopkins, died Dec. 1 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born June 21, 1912, to Albert and Eva Mutti in Hopkins.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille; one daughter, Sherrie Mitchell; two brothers, Ralph and George; 2 granddaughters; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were last Thursday at the Wray Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins.

Cletus Pitznerbarger

Cletus E. Pitznerbarger, 85, Ravenwood, died Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 12, 1912, to Philip and Zita Pitznerbarger in Rockwell, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; two daughters Joanne Schmitz and Genie Swenson; three brothers; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in St. Joseph.

James Thompson

James "Jimmie" B. Thompson, 69, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Heartland East Hospital in St. Joseph.

He was born June 11, 1949, to Harold and Dora Thompson in Maryville.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene; two sons, Curt and Scott; two daughters, Marlene and D'Ann; and one grandson.

Services were Friday, at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Otis Booth

Otis Eugene Booth, 81, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born Nov. 22, 1916, to Earl and Cora Booth in Wilcox.

Survivors include two daughters, Marcia Beattie and Gail; one son, Lowell; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Friday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Herbert Gard

Herbert Lee Gard, 95, Maryville, died last Thursday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Aug. 22, 1920, to Herbert and Belle Gard in Shellsburg, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Pearl; five sons, Curtis, Paul, Darl, Wayne and Dean; three daughters, Marilyn Ausdall, Norma Sikes, and Rose Findlen; two brothers; 24 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Monday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Vacile Harmon

Vacile Solomon Harmon, 90, died Dec. 6 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 2, 1907, to George and Katherine Harmon in Metz.

Survivors include two sons, Gall and Lowell; one daughter, Gloria; one sister; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Tuesday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

James Heflin

James Sherman Heflin, 72, Maryville, died Monday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Oct. 7, 1925, to Alva and Lucille Heflin in Graham.

Survivors include his wife, Hallie; two sons, Paul and David; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one sister; and four nephews.

Services were today at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

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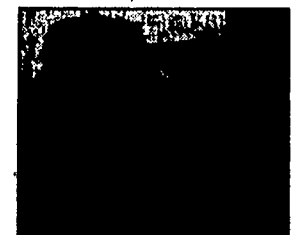
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Men squash Graceland

Dec. 10
Northwest: 107
Graceland: 75

by JP Farris
Chief Reporter

After barking for no let-ups, head coach Steve Tappmeyer and the Bearcats jumped out to a 10-0 lead against Graceland College Wednesday night. And they never let up.

The Bearcats never trailed in the 107-75 win, avenging last year's, 75-70 loss. Because of pressure defense, they forced 27 turnovers to their 10. "The big stat to look at is turnovers," Tappmeyer said. "When a team is pressing, and you're playing with a lead, only 10 turnovers (that's good). Last year we were up 16, and then we started turning the ball over and missing free throws. I just think this year we have a better team."

Although the defense looked good, Tappmeyer said, it was inconsistent. "We caused a lot of turnovers, but then we give up too many easy shots," he said. "It's like feast or famine. Our defense has to be played all out. When our intensity drops off a little bit, we

would be better going to a zone." Creating turnovers on the defensive end translated into the first time the Bearcats broke the century mark. Junior forward Matt Redd led a balanced attack with 19 points and eight rebounds. In his first start as a Bearcat, junior forward Levant Williams added 16 points and 11 rebounds.

The 'Cats ship off to the Bahamas Dec. 20. Their first opponent, Simon Fraser University was called one of the best teams they will play all year by senior guard Shakey Harrington.

The 'Cats will have 10 more days off like before the Graceland game. "I hope (last game's play) is due to the 10 days off," Harrington said. "Hopefully we can run it up like that in the Bahamas. It's hot out there, so I hope we can heat up the scoreboard."

Dec. 10
Northwest: 55
Rockhurst: 76

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

After a 7-0 start, their best since 1990-91, injuries caught up with the

Bearcat women Wednesday night. The matchup pitted the Bearcats against Rockhurst, a team they defeated by only three points earlier in the season.

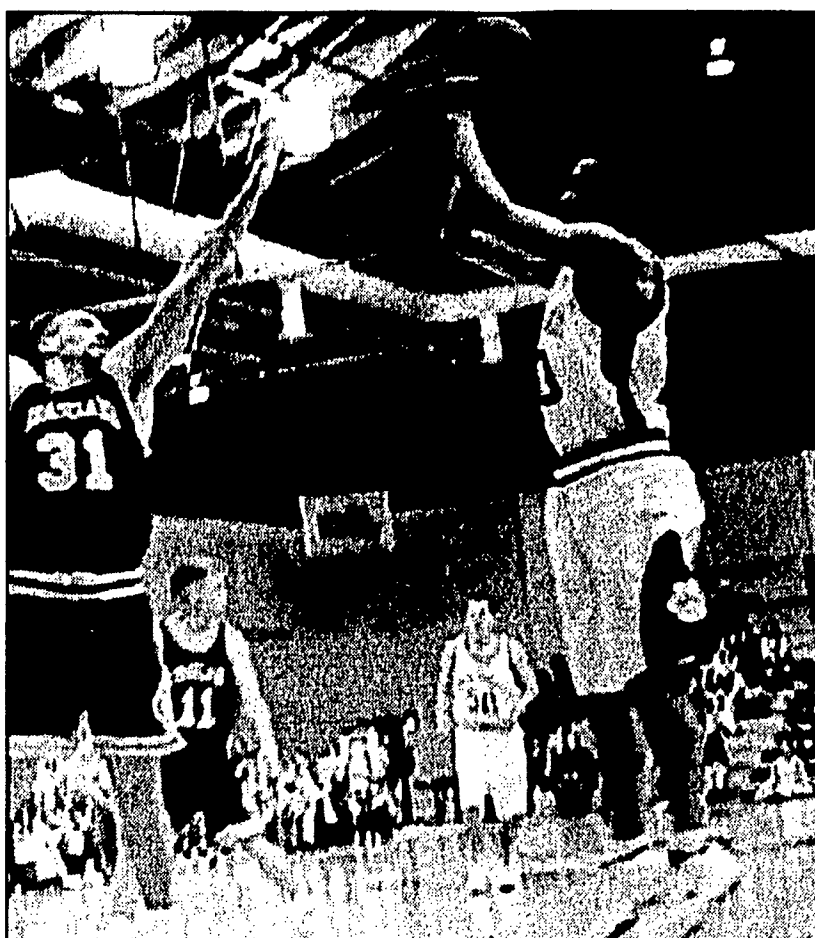
But with key player Denise Sump, sophomore center, out with a stress fracture and senior guard Pam Cummings sick with the flu, victory eluded the 'Cats. The women fell to the Lady Hawks 76-55.

The Bearcat women were down 36-22 at the half and were not able to recover despite picking up 33 points in the second half.

Senior forward Annie Coy led the team in the game, scoring 16 points and pulling down seven boards, while sophomore center Linda Mattson contributed 10 points to the effort.

Winstead attributes the 'Cats' successful record to this point to balance. "To this point we have been balanced," Winstead said. "All five starters have been able to score. Now we just need to start playing with a little more consistency. It doesn't matter what we do just as long as we do it well."

The women's next matchup is at 7:30 p.m. Saturday against Iowa Wesleyan in Bearcat Arena.



Junior guard Mike Morley (No. 20) goes up for a shot against Graceland College Wednesday night. Northwest won the game, 107-75.

Editor sends wish list to Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Each year the University sports editor for the *Missourian* sends a list of holiday requests to you. So I thought I would keep the tradition alive, as things have gone well in years past.

I've tried to be good, and I never ask you for much, but I've been storing up, so here's my tall order.

1) Can we please have some more fan support for the "lesser sports?" I mean really, football is not the only sport in the fall. There are volleyball and cross country, and those players need to be cheered on too. Not to take anything away from the football team, but both the men's and women's cross country teams went to the National meet. And the volleyball team is improving after this year's rebuilding season.

2) Local coverage of Bearcat sports on television. I mean none of the Kansas City channels listed the score of the Division II football playoffs until this last week, when the 'Cats weren't playing. Many Bearcat athletes are from the Kansas City area, but you wouldn't think that from the coverage. When we beat Pitt State, it didn't even make the news.

3) Why can't we have a varsity women's soccer team? They survived this year as a club sport. Couldn't you whisper to athletic director Jim Redd or put a message in his stocking that these women really want to play?

4) Talk to the people in charge of football scheduling and tell them that a game during Thanksgiving weekend is not a wise idea. Do they know how much fan support was lost for the 'Cats because of bad timing? Who knows, without Turkey Day we might have beaten Northern Colorado.

5) Help the basketball teams do well, and maybe even win the conference this year. Oh, don't let the men's team get too sunburned while it's in the Bahamas over winter break.

6) And last, let the women repeat their triple crown in cross country and track. A conference title for the men would be nice, too. And I hope it's not too early, but spring sports titles would be good.

I hope I haven't asked for too much. As for the milk and cookies, Mrs. Claus said you can't have them, but I hid them in my desk in the basement of Wells Hall. Don't tell anyone though.

Wendy
Wendy

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the *Northwest Missourian*.

Indoor track season starts at Iowa State meet



Junior Robby Lane runs in an outdoor track meet last spring. Lane and 51 other men are preparing to begin the indoor track season.

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

After two months of practicing outside, the track teams are heading indoors and preparing for their first meet of the season.

The women's team boasts 32 members including some freshmen who will add depth to the squad along with the several returners.

Head coach Bud Williams said the team will face a tough road in repeating last year's conference championship.

"Any time you return a majority of a championship team, there is the expectation to repeat," Williams said. "It will be difficult to repeat all of last year's accomplishments without hard work. No one will roll over and play dead just because we attend a meet."

While Williams was finishing the cross country season, assistant coach

Dan Davies worked with the team.

"We have had a successful and injury-free preseason," Davies said. "The incoming women will fill the holes from last year and give us some depth. If we don't have any injuries early, we are capable of doing as good, if not better, in conference, especially with the areas we've added."

Williams anticipates a successful season in which individual as well as team goals will be achieved. Ten of the women will get a jump start on the season Friday by competing in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Men prepare for indoor season

The men's indoor track team has been practicing for nearly two months, working to improve its chances at a high conference finish.

The team has 52 members, which offers the team a lot of depth to add to the strong competitors who will

return for the 'Cats.

Head coach Rich Alsop said practice has gone well and he looks forward to having a good season.

"We have had a good fall and the men are in really good shape," Alsop said. "We have lots of people who could contribute and are looking forward to improving as a team and achieving our goal of being a presence in conference as a team."

Assistant coach Mitch Dosland said the team is looking good in practice, but it needs competition.

"We have good people in every event, and a lot of raw talent from the freshmen who've never been coached," Dosland said. "We just have to wait and see how they perform and see if they step it up; see how the team comes together when we start having meets."

Fourteen of the men will try to prove their ability Friday in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Athletic Shorts

Champions crowned in intramural sport

Another round of intramural events ended Nov. 20 as the volleyball champions were crowned.

The Delta Chi Nationals claimed the fraternity division championship by defeating the Sigma Phi Epsilon Crush.

The Nationals reached the finals after beating the Sig Ep Purple Helmets, while the Crush overpowered Sig Ep Ep Yours to reach the game.

In the sorority division, the Sigma Kappa Sphinxer Kickers were crowned champions after they beat Sigma Black in the final game.

The Sphinxer Kickers reached the finals after they defeated Phi Mu No. 1. Sigma Black toppled the Sigma

Kappa Snakey Ks to reach the final game.

After the volleyball championships, the final fall supremacy points were tallied. In the fraternity division, the Sig Eps came out on top, while Sigma Kappa took the top slot in the sorority division.

Supremacy Points			
Fraternity		Sorority	
Sig Ep	852	Sigma Kappa	551
Delta Chi	761	Alpha Sig	513
Phi Sig	565	Tri Sigma	458
TKE	405	Phi Mu	363
AKL	328	Delta Zeta	175
Delta Sig	200		
Kappa Sig	165		
Sig Tau	160		
Ag Rho	120		

Gridders, coach win awards after season

The Bearcat football season is over, but the awards keep piling up for the squad.

Junior quarterback Chris Greisen was named to the Burger King Division II Coaches' All-America Team by the American Football Coaches Association Wednesday. Greisen was named the first team quarterback on the team.

He threw for 2,456 yards and 23 touchdowns for the Bearcats.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma was named the Region 4 Coach of the Year by the AFCA for the second-straight year.

Even though the 'Cats dominated their opponents on the field, the Bear-

cats also hit the books hard. Sixteen were named to the MIAA all-academic squad as well.

The list included Bob Baker, Matt Becker, Greg Bonnett, Scott Courter, Devin Doll, Craig Evans, Greisen, Nick Inzerello, Charlie Pugh, Cole Sidwell, Kurtis Stewart, Brian Sutton, Adam Teale, Chad Thompson, Wayland Vacek and Matt Voge.

Basketball team adds exhibition matchup

The men's basketball team scheduled an exhibition game with the Dreambuilders for 7 p.m., Jan. 2 in Bearcat Arena. The contest will be the 'Cats' first game after the Sunshine Shootout Dec. 20-23 in Nassau, Bahamas.

Cagers play games during winter break

While most Northwest students will be home for the holidays, the basketball teams will continue to play.

The women's team will play Iowa Wesleyan Saturday and the women of Quincy College Dec. 19. Both games will be played at home.

The men's first holiday matchup will be Dec. 20-23 at the Sunshine Shootout in Nassau, Bahamas.

The men and women travel to Missouri Rolla, Jan. 5 and Lincoln University, Jan. 7. They take on Southwest Baptist, Jan. 10 and Emporia State, Jan. 12 at home. The teams play at Truman State, Jan. 17 and Washburn, Jan. 21 at home.

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Wrestlers start season with dominant victory

Dec. 4
Maryville: 47
Maysville: 33

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The Spoofhounds unleashed a barrage of points at their first wrestling meet of the season against Maysville High School, winning 47-33.

"The team did pretty good, but we had a lot of personal mistakes," senior Chris Barmann said. "A lot of us are just getting back into duals, learning to listen better to coach and getting into better condition."

Despite some little mistakes, head coach Joe Drake was pleased with the team's overall performance considering how early it is in the season.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable," Drake said. "Now, we simply have to go back and make those corrections. This definitely tells us what direction we need to work in."

The 'Hounds got things going early with a pin by freshman Brandon Hull (103 lbs.), who looked very good in his first match, Drake said.

"I'm pretty proud of myself," Hull said. "I didn't get a big head, and I just went out there and did my best."

Senior Mark Anderson (119 lbs.) followed with a victory, but

senior Ryan Castillo (135 lbs.) suffered a loss.

"(Castillo) did not wrestle his type of match," Drake said. "He kind of let his opponent dictate what was going on, and it eventually cost him the match."

Maysville gained some ground from three consecutive pins on Spoofhound seniors Matt Herring (145 lbs.), Adam Chadwick (152 lbs.) and Barmann (171 lbs.).

Inexperience showed in Chadwick's match, while Barmann came out aggressively, only he tried to overpower his opponent rather than use technique to win, Drake said.

Drake said Herring got a good start, but made a major mistake by overextending himself. He then got caught and was pinned.

Drake was pleased with freshman Jesse Reed's match (189 lbs.), when he beat his opponent with a pin.

"Jesse came out aggressive," Drake said. "He really looked pretty good for a freshman wrestler."

The meet concluded when freshman Noah Bonde (215 lbs.) was pinned.

The 'Hounds also benefited from the fact Maysville was not able to fill four weight classes, which resulted in wins for juniors Justin Dredge (112 lbs.) and Jeremy Tobin (125 lbs.), freshman Herman Crumb (130 lbs.) and sophomore Jacob Stiens (160 lbs.).

Drake wanted to use the 'Hounds first meet as a tool.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable."

■ Joe Drake, wrestling coach, Maryville High School

"We were not as aggressive as I thought we should've been on our feet," Drake said. "We were shooting too far away, which got us into trouble a few times. A few other times, instead of using technique to finish things, we tried to power it and that got us in trouble. We've got to go back and use techniques to win."

The upperclassmen also hope to help the younger wrestlers develop the skills they need to succeed.

"We just need to tell them, 'Don't get intimidated,'" Barmann said. "We just need to let them know to listen to coach. He knows what are best moves are."

Even with four open weight classes, Drake said Maysville presented a challenge.

"They were very (good) with the people they had here," Drake said. "They did a very good job."

The 'Hounds will battle at 7 p.m. Thursday against Cameron at home.



Maryville senior Ryan Castillo prepares to battle Maysville junior Jerry McFee during last Thursday's match. The 'Hounds won the match 47-33.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

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Maryville coach deserves praise for milestone win

The scene has been replayed time and time again: A team has a bad year and the head coach gets the ax for it.

From what I have discovered in my brief one-and-a-half-year stint as a Maryville resident, not many of the high school coaches have anything to worry about — especially Mike Kuwitzky, the boys' basketball coach.

As far as Kuwitzky's players knew, the only thing special about last Tuesday night's game against Shenandoah, Iowa, was that it was a chance keep their record unblemished.

However, for their coach, it was a little bit sweeter than that. After his team walked off the court victorious, Kuwitzky told his players they had given him his 200th career win.

After having the pleasure of covering Kuwitzky's squad last season, I cannot think of anyone more deserving of this recognition.

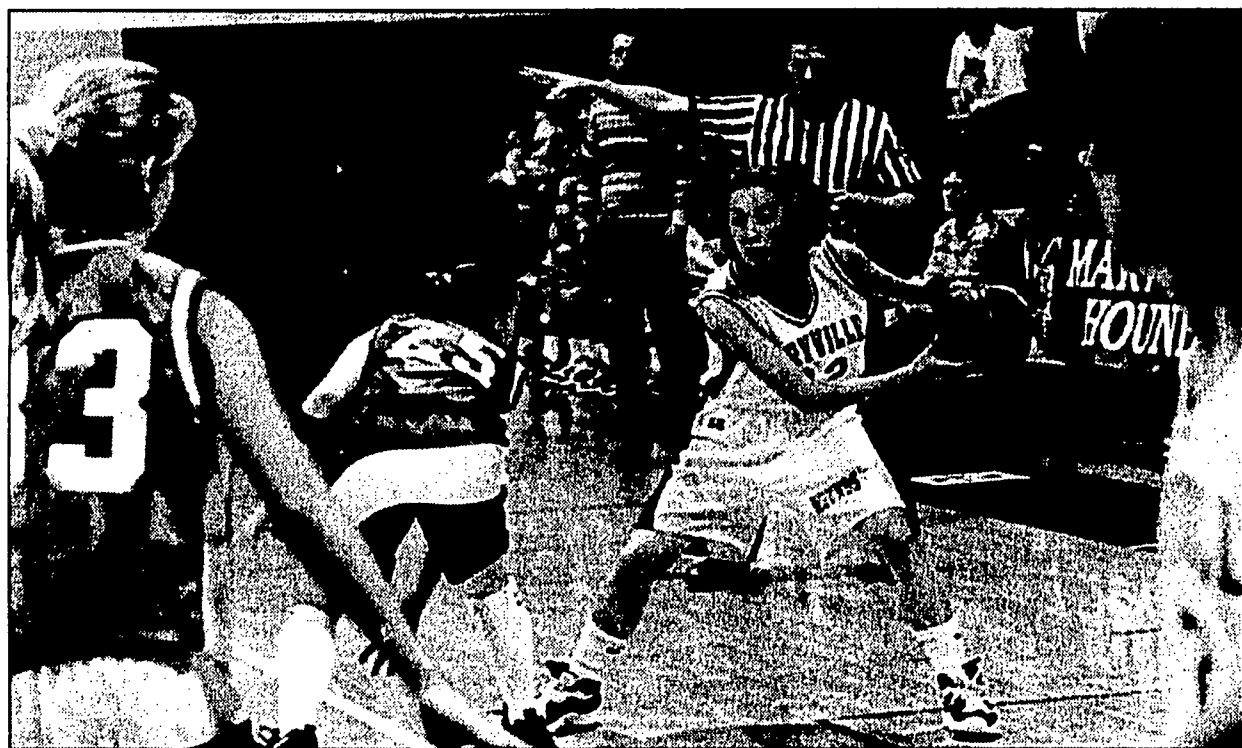
Not only was Kuwitzky one of the nicest and most accommodating people I have ever met, he always had a smile and a conversation for an annoying freshman reporter.

When he took the head coaching job at Maryville 12 years ago, Kuwitzky would have probably been the last person to think he would someday win 200 games.

Oddly, that might be his best attribute. He does not coach for his record, he coaches because he enjoys it.

It is too bad there are not more people like him. If there were, a lot more high school athletes would have walked off the court just like his team did last Tuesday — smiling.

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian



Senior guard Allison Jonagan dishes the ball inside to a teammate during Friday's 3-point win over Benton High School.

Maryville's next game will be Saturday when the team travels to Clarinda, Iowa.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

'Hounds end 10-year drought

Dec. 5
Maryville: 43
Benton: 40

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Snow prevented the Maryville Spoofhounds from battling the Lafayette Fighting Irish Tuesday.

Therefore, the girls' basketball team did not have a chance to improve their record against Lafayette, but earned a long-awaited win last

Friday against Benton High School, 43-40.

The Spoofhounds put an end to their 10-year losing streak against the Cardinals.

Junior forward Erin Hefflin led the team with 15 points and 12 rebounds. Senior guard Cynthia Prokes poured in 12 points, six assists and five steals.

After learning the team had lost 21-straight games against Benton before Friday, one player realized the significance of the squads' achievement.

"The score was really close the whole game, and we almost lost," junior guard Megan McLaughlin said. "The team was really excited to come out on top."

Senior guard Allison Jonagan said the win did more than just mark a tally on the chalkboard.

"There is still room for improvement, but it was a big win and it did a lot for our confidence," Jonagan said.

The 'Hounds next game will be at 7:45 p.m. Saturday at Clarinda (Iowa) High School.

Defense propels hoopsters to 14-point win over Savages

Dec. 5
Maryville: 54
Savannah: 40

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Much to the dismay of the players, the weather forced the 'Hounds to take a day off this week.

The boys' basketball team was scheduled to play Clarinda (Iowa) High School Tuesday, but snow forced the game to be rescheduled.

"We all wanted to play, but the game was canceled, and there's not a lot we can do about that," senior forward John Otte said.

Kuwitzky and his players did not think the cancellation would have much of an effect on the team.

"It doesn't affect us that much," junior center Mike Nanninga said. "We just gotta get up and go at it again."

The 'Hounds improved their record to 3-0 Friday when they beat Savannah on their home court, 54-40.

"We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

■ Mike Kuwitzky, boys' basketball coach, Maryville High School

"It went pretty well," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We're extremely happy to get a win on Savannah's floor."

The team thrived on defense again, holding the Savages to only four points in each of the first two quarters. Maryville went into half-time with a 22-8 lead.

"That was excellent for us, and we got off to a real good start," Kuwitzky said.

However, the team struggled offensively, Kuwitzky said. The 'Hounds shot 32 percent from the floor, and they were 1-for-14 on 3-pointers.

"We overcame that pretty good,"

Kuwitzky said. "We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

Maryville grabbed 32 rebounds, compared to Savannah's 15. Fifteen of Maryville's rebounds were offensive, which led to many opportunities at the charity stripe.

The 'Hounds made 19 of 30 free throw attempts, a statistic Kuwitzky said was an improvement from previous outings.

In the second half, the 'Hounds found themselves in a bit of trouble.

"They played us up a little," Kuwitzky said. "We weren't executing as well, and we let down on defense a bit."

After the Savages went on a small run, the 'Hounds broke away.

"We had three or four possessions that we just executed on beautifully," Kuwitzky said. "That was a real turning point in the game."

Senior forward Grant Sutton led the team in scoring with 15 points, while junior forward Tylor Hardy chipped in 13 points.

Maryville will resume play at 5 p.m. Friday against LeBlond High School at home.

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Surrounded by angels

by Jennifer Simler



The Christmas trees have gone up, colorful lights have brightened houses and angels have filled our hearts and homes — it's Christmas time.

Although Santa has usually been the desired figurine during this time of year, times and trends have changed. Angel figurines have become the demand.

They come in all shapes and sizes, from stamps to ornaments to elaborate figurines.

People of all ages are collecting and wearing angel paraphernalia. Some wear angel pins for religious reasons while others wear them because they were given to them by a significant person in their lives.

"I wear a pin almost everyday," said Susan Colt, child and family studies major. "It's a reminder, I guess, to live the kind of life I should."

Colt not only wears angel pins, but has an extensive collection of angels throughout her entire house. She places an angel in every single room of her family's house and has a glass showcase imbedded in one of the walls in her living room filled with angels.

Colt's angels have been gathered from everywhere in the world from shops like Hallmark to Christkindlesmarkt in Germany. Although her collection didn't start growing until about five years ago, she has angel earrings, an angel night light and even an angel mounted on the frame of her front door.

Her reason for collecting angels is not because of fads or current trends, although she said it does make angel paraphernalia easier to find. Colt said she collects angel because of her beliefs.

"I've just always been really religious," Colt said. "I really believe we all have guardian angels."

She believes that angels don't always come in the form of figurines.

"I think they appear in many different forms," Colt said. "I have had a couple of experiences when I felt like there were angels around with me. Also, when I start wondering about my children, I put it in God's hands and ask that he puts his angels around them to protect them."

Colt isn't alone in her experiences with angels. Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, is certain he has a guardian angel that is constantly watching over him.

"I know I have a guardian angel," Vanosdale said. "It's my granny. She watches over me and protects me. When I'm down and sad she's with me. She raised me to be a good, God-fearing Christian man and to treat people right and with respect. I can still feel her hugging me. I know she watches over me. It is the most comforting thing you'll ever feel."

There are many avid collectors and people who believe in angels around the world. *Life* magazine ran a special in the 1995 December issue dedicated solely to angels. The article included people who collect them as well as people who have had experiences with what they thought were angels.

Life discovered that "69 percent do believe in angels, with 32 percent saying they've felt an angel's presence."

Some of the stories in the article range from artist Andy Lakey who said "angels told him to paint 2,000 angel paintings by the year 2000, one for each year since Jesus' birth," he was on painting No. 1,403, to an angel collector from Beloit, Wis., who has more than 11,161 angel artifacts.

There are numerous places in Maryville and surrounding areas that angel collectors have turned to expand their collections.

The Angel Lady, a store in Independence located at 216 S. Spring St., caters solely to those in search of angel paraphernalia. There are more than 20,000 different kinds of angels from all over the world.

"It's not a new age angel store that sells crystals or where they believe they can contact their

angels," Carolyn Pratt, owner of The Angel Lady said. "It's a traditional angel store where I believe the angels touch you."

Pratt began collecting angels 37 years ago when her first child was born. This is when she and her husband decided they weren't going to decorate the house with Santa, but with angels because they brought "glad tidings of great joy."

She has traveled all over the world gathering angels for her store where the rule is — "it has to have wings on it to be sold."

By traveling and studying different angels, she learned that angels can only be found in cultures that have hope. Her example was in Cracow, Poland, where she recently returned from, that during World War II was a place that Germans executed Jews. "Now, it is a beautiful city where angels are available in the marketplace," Pratt said. "I can tell there is hope there."

On the other hand, after visiting Russia and Germany, because of the country's current dismay, she was unable to find angels reaffirming her belief that angels represent hope.

Pratt said having the store keeps her on her best behavior. It also gives her a chance to offer her advice to customers as to what to look for in an angel they want to buy.

"I tell everyone not to buy an angel unless it winks at you," Pratt said. "Of course it's not going to wink, but you're going to be able to relate to one better than others. I like a different one everyday."

However, one doesn't have to go as far as Independence to find angels. Locally, Rod's Hallmark, the Watermelon Patch and Family Tree, to name a few, have an abundance of angels in many shapes and sizes to add to one's collection or to be a stocking stuffer.

The most popular angel being sold at Hallmark this season is the Seraphim Classic called "Monica Under Love's Wing." It is dedicated to the Sunshine Foundation, which grants wishes to critically ill children, and sends a child and their family on a dream vacation.

"People are aware of the piece," said Debbie Easterla, manager of Rod's Hallmark. "They come in and ask where the piece that its proceeds go to the Sunshine Foundation is."

Hallmark realizes the popularity of angel items and places them appropriately so they are easy to find.

"We always keep them right in the front of the door, so that right when you walk in the door that's the first thing you see," Easterla said.

Angels are female and this has not bothered people, but recently Easterla has had the request for a serious male angel figurine. Serious because the only male angel figurines seen in the past have all been humorous, like a bald, male angel dressed in a suit and sitting on a bench.

Angels aren't necessarily only found in figurines or pins. Vanosdale thinks some small children might soon think they have been visited by an angel.

More than 100 children will receive gifts from Northwest students for Christmas. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic, provided an "Angel Tree." Students received a child's name and something from their wish list to provide for them.

"I think it makes these kids feel very special," Vanosdale said. "They're going to get all these neat presents wrapped in pretty paper just for them. I don't know if they are going to think they're from an angel or Santa, but they're not going to expect the gifts. They're going to feel like they've been such a good little boy or girl."

The gifts are being collected Friday and will be taken to an agency that will distribute them to the children. The students will never know whom they are buying for, nor will the children ever know who gave the present to them.

"I just hope the students that are giving the gifts kind of feel like they're angels," Vanosdale said. "They are going to bring a lot of smiles and happiness on their faces and that's going to be priceless."

City, campus spread holiday spirit to warm season

by Russ Wetzel and Heather Butler
Missourian Staff

During the holidays, we give presents to the ones we love, but several local businesses and organizations are going beyond by brightening the season for the less fortunate of the community.

The Maryville Jaycees are selling Christmas trees for \$4 per foot with proceeds going to support the area's Toys For Tots campaign and the Nodaway County Food Pantry.

Jaycee Jim Wiederholt said the organization has already sold about 150 of its 250 trees. Any remaining trees will go to Community Services, which distributes them as needed.

In addition, the Jaycees are offering a Rent-a-Santa to travel to homes or businesses and bring a little holiday cheer. The cost is \$10 for a family visit and \$20 for a company visit. All of the proceeds go to help the Jaycees adopt a needy family over the holidays. Those wishing to help can call 562-2780.

The Jaycees adopt a family each year over the holidays that has had a difficult year, Wiederholt said.

"Last year we raised about \$220," he said. "We use the proceeds to buy food gift certificates for the families."

Wal-Mart is one of several businesses that lends a helping hand during the holiday season as well. Assistant manager Angela Schuler said they have several things going on this year.

"A percentage of sales from last Saturday went to support Toys For Tots," Schuler said. "We also have a barrel set up where people can donate toys."

The Red Cross, which supplies coats and clothing to needy families, has a tree set up at Wal-Mart. The organization has already assisted five area families that have been the victims of recent fires.

Another area group, the Salvation Army, also has an "Angel Tree" in place at the store. Patrons can pick an envelope from the tree that describes the needs of a particular child.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

The Toys For Tots barrels and Red Cross Christmas tree stand at the front of the Maryville Wal-Mart store. Community members can donate

toys, clothing or other necessary items for area children that are in need. Several area businesses and organizations are helping the less fortunate.

Clothing sizes and toy preferences are included in the envelope.

"We are thrilled to help in any way to make our community better," Schuler said. "They give a lot to us and we want to give something back."

Three area food stores are also active in increasing the holiday spirit. Hy-Vee supports a wide range of church, civic, school and individual charities. Recently, the store presented \$2,500, a share of three days of sales, to the United Way.

Food-4-Less and Easter's Food Stores frequently have food "demo-fests" with vendors offering samples throughout the stores. Proceeds from these sales go to aid charitable programs sponsored by area churches. Easter's has a barrel for Toys For Tots.

Food-4-Less allows its customers to contribute to the food industry's Crusade Against Hunger program. Customers can choose to add \$1, or \$3-\$5 to their grocery bill to help hunger nationwide.

Even smaller, personal businesses are helping others in need this year.

Watkins Hardware has been do-

ing to Christmas causes for 40 years. This year's support includes donations to St. Gregory's Catholic Church "Fun Fest" and the Toys For Tots campaign.

St. Francis Hospital is sponsoring a fund-raising campaign to help eliminate health care costs of those who are unable to afford care. St. Francis the mandate of "turn no one away" for more than 100 years. The hospital has covered \$200,000 in charitable aid this year.

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Santa shopping spree. Fifty-two businesses in Maryville are participating by offering drawings for Chamber bucks. Prizes range from \$350-\$500. Registration is free at participating businesses.

The need for community help is abundant and residents can help with the beautification of Maryville.

Maryville is asking for donations for Christmas lights for the courthouse. A slot for contributions is provided near the door.

Many area churches have a variety of charitable programs in place during this season.

The First Christian Church youth

having a tree on campus to Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils.

Those in charge of the tree contacted Human Services, which gave them the names of teens in the Nodaway County area who needed help this Christmas.

All presents are due Friday to the campus activities office located on the second floor of the Student Union.

The Baptist Student Union at Northwest is donating Aladdin money to less fortunate families in Nodaway County. They did the same at Thanksgiving and raised \$5,800 to help feed 81 families.

The Christian Campus House is participating in Northwest's Angel Tree and is buying presents for the families of the inmates at the Maryville Treatment Center. They are also helping bake cookies for the inmates.

Phi Eta Sigma, an honorary group on campus, is giving boots and gloves to the children at Eugene Field Elementary.

Although the chance to give takes only a little effort, it is sometimes hard to remember that many people could use help.

"I don't think people help as much as they could," said Erin Campbell, psychology and criminal justice major. "I haven't, even though there are so many opportunities to do so at church and on campus. To some people, it's an afterthought."

Many people believe helping others not only lifts the spirits of those they are helping, but their own as well.

"It makes you feel good about yourself," psychology major Julie Jacobs said. "It gives you a sense of pride to know you are doing something good that will benefit someone."

This year for Christmas, Maryville residents and Northwest students are encouraged to donate something to a local charity. It can be an old coat, some canned goods, leftover pocket change or maybe just time.

Holiday Events

With Christmas just around the corner, several area schools and churches are gearing up for the season with a wide variety of programs. Here is a list of just a few:

Maryville R-II High School
Dec. 13: All-district concert (all day)

Dec. 22: 7 p.m. Christmas Concert, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

Washington Middle School
Dec. 18: 7 p.m. Music Program (Seventh and Eighth grade)

Dec. 19: 2 p.m. Music Program (Fifth and Sixth grade)

Horace Mann
Dec. 16: 7 p.m. Christmas Program

First Christian Church
Dec. 14: Children's Program
Dec. 21: Christmas Cantata
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Service
First Presbyterian Church
Dec. 14: 10:30 a.m. Christmas Program

Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

First Baptist Church
Dec. 14: 10:45 a.m. Worship Choir Cantata

Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion Service

First Methodist Church
Dec. 17: 6:30 p.m. Las Posadas
Dec. 24: 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 11 p.m. Communion Service

Laura Street Baptist Church
Dec. 13-14: 7 p.m. "The Perfect Christmas"

Dec. 24: 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Candlelight Service

Ravenwood Christian Church
Dec. 20-21: 6:30 p.m. Musical Santa at Franklin Park
Dec. 12, 13, 18, 19, 20: 6-8 p.m.



The Stroller

Learning how to survive at college



The Stroller

Your Man gives advice about making educational years worthwhile

This is my last article of the year. Let me tell you how happy I am that I don't have to rack my brain every week thinking of ways to offend everyone.

I am finishing up the college chapter of my book of life, and in doing so I would like to leave everyone with some closing advice to make their life at Northwest as fun and as productive as mine.

■ **Public Safety** — Don't run from them or throw your beer, especially at the cop, when they see you. They are smart and know that if you drop your beer it is probably because you are not 21.

■ **Cliff notes** are sometimes better than reading the book. Don't let your teachers tell you any different.

■ **Laundry** — It stinks, so find some poor sucker to do it for you, or get a girlfriend to do it.

■ **Don't drink the water.**

■ **If you came to find your future husband or wife** at Northwest, check admissions about transferring.

■ **Don't tell people how good at sports or cool you were in high school.** The people you know will most likely meet someone from your hometown that would love to tell them different.

■ **Keep in touch with old high school friends,** so they don't tell people you were a dork.

■ **Don't piss any sorority girls off** — if one hates you, all of them hate you.

■ **Take an extra pair of shoes and don't hang on the rims at the Rec Center.**

■ **Charge as much crap to your parents at the bookstore as you can while they will still pay for the stuff.**

■ **Write at least one offensive article for the *Missourian*,** it's funny to hear people talk bad about you.

■ **Write the cable company and tell them their service sucks.**

■ **Buy your condoms at the front desks of the dorms,** it's a lot cheaper.

■ **Don't re-insert a parking ticket on your windshield so you can park illegally again,** it's just plain dishonest. Also it doesn't work — I've tried it.

■ **Be nice to everyone you encounter.** They may eventually work at the place that you want a job.

■ **The refund you get at the beginning of each semester** is not beer money.

■ **Alcohol doesn't make you sleep better,** and it doesn't make other people more attractive.

■ **If the Health Center tells you that you have mono or AIDS,** get a second opinion.

■ **If you have a computer in your dorm room,** stay the hell away from the ones in the library.

■ **Make fun of Missouri Western all the time.** That school really sucks.

■ **If you buy a sweatshirt, make sure that it is reversible so you can wear it two days in a row.**

■ **The next time you are confronted by someone to fill out something for a credit card,** tell them that they are the reason your parents split up. They won't bother you again.

■ **The average landlords' I.Q. in Maryville is comparable to that of a small child,** but at least children are honest and can read a lease.

■ **Never bounce a check at the bar or at the University.** The bar will post your name for everyone to see and the University won't tell you that it bounced and will keep sending it back to the bank until it clears, charging you for every time they send it back.

■ **Make fun of anyone wearing high school letter jackets; it's funny.**

■ **Get a job on campus.** A letter of recommendation from someone on campus is a lot better than one from the shift manager at a fast food restaurant.

■ **The only way to graduate in four years is to keep your academic catalog and learn how to read a degree audit.** Most professors don't even know how.

■ **I'd like to thank everyone for a great year and if I offended anyone I would like to say — Good.**

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Diva's delight
5. Pulse
10. Oriental prince
13. "Quicker — you can say Jack Robinson"
14. Overgrown
15. River boat
16. Verdi opera
17. Church official
18. Scorch
19. Judge Bean
20. ___ up (enlivens)
21. "___ beloved..."

23. Proton donors
25. Oriental sash
26. Yearly record
28. Benefit
31. Diocese
34. Part of a Spanish family tree
35. Zeniths
36. Malay coin
37. Ending for kitchen or major

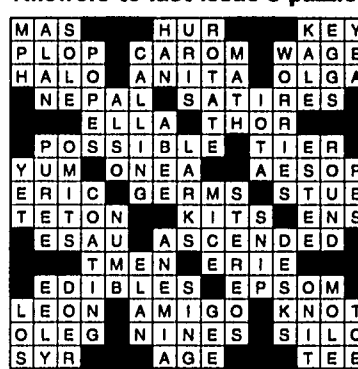
38. Weigh heavily upon
39. Mixture of smoke and fog
40. Certain degree
41. Vaulted
42. Shovel
43. Hair coloring
44. What a muscle shirt exposes
45. Part of a boiler maker
46. Riviera acquisition
48. French white wine word
49. Labor walkout

52. Cabbage concoction
53. Hirt and Pacino
56. Bony herring
57. Tribal symbol
59. Place for a bowsprit
60. "My Heart Belongs ___" (Streisand hit) (2 words)
61. Inch
62. ___ fide
63. Eat late
64. Cowboys' charges
65. Chemise

DOWN

1. Top banana
2. Midwest state
3. 1955 Disney film (4 words)
4. Not ___ dare (2 words)
5. Scottish woolens
6. Assists
7. Braves' enemies
8. Homage
9. Operation Deep Freeze commander
10. Scrooge's story (3-

Answers to last issue's puzzle



11. Objective
12. Wrong
15. Hoffa enemy
20. Jumble
22. Seeming eternities
24. Show concern
26. Modify
27. Smartly dressed
28. Traffic sounds
29. Malt kiln
30. Gives the nod
32. Corrode
33. Avod
35. Bristol buggy
38. ___ annum
39. Spread
41. Long and thin
42. Pygmalion playwright
45. Grips
47. Nurse's
48. Sap
49. Paris-to-NYC jets
50. Biblical pronoun
51. Drop acid?
52. English money (abbr.)
54. Anderson of "WKRP"
55. ___ meet
58. Smelted material
59. Big Bird's network

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Kansas City

Dec. 11-Jan. 1 — "Little House Christmas," Coterie Theatre.
Dec. 11-24 — "Nutcracker," Midland Theatre.
Dec. 13 — Koko Taylor, The Hurricane.
Dec. 15 — Amy Grant, Kemper Arena.
Dec. 16 — Bow Wow Wow, The Hurricane.

Area Events

Omaha

Dec. 13 — Seven Mary Three, Ranch Bowl.
Dec. 16 — Wallflowers, AKSaben Coliseum.
Dec. 16 — Jim Brickman, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Dec. 17 — Lorie Line, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Jan. 6 — Harlem Globetrotters, AKSaben Coliseum.



Des Moines

Dec. 11 — Corey Stevens, SuperToad.
Dec. 14 — Handels Messiah, Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 16 — "Nutcracker on Ice," Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 18 — Micheal Peterson, SuperToad.
Dec. 31 — New Years Eve Gala, Des Moines Civic Center.

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Senate selects Regents finalists

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The finalists for the University Student Regent position have been narrowed down to three.

Sophomores Jonathan Baker, Karen Barmann and Mina Ewing have been named as finalists to possibly serve on the University Board of Regents.

The appointment of the Student Regent position will be made by Gov. Mel Carnahan, after interviews, Saturday.

The Student Regent is an active member of the Board of Regents and is an advocate for the students. This person also helps the Board to understand decisions students want for the campus.

The governor has set qualifications for the position. The applicant must have two

full years remaining at their respective institution, must be registered to vote and a resident of Missouri.

The finalists were narrowed down from six applicants after they were interviewed by a committee including Angel Harris-Lewis, Student Senate president, and several other faculty members.

After the finalists were decided, Senate informed the governor's office.

The committee's decisions were based on a variety of areas, such as leadership involvement and citizenship, Harris-Lewis said.

She also said they not only thought about the knowledge of the applicants and their answers to various questions, but also how they were dressed, their communication skills, their grade point aver-

age and the amount of eye contact that was made.

"We were looking for people that wouldn't be intimidated," Harris-Lewis said. "We wanted outgoing people that could go out and get as many opinions as they can."

Everyone who submitted an application was eligible for an interview, Harris-Lewis said.

The finalists said they applied for the position to have a better influence on the decisions made by the Board.

"I really want to become more involved in the campus," Baker said. "I'm familiar with the campus and I feel I could actually give some good sugges-

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Ground breaking



The Maryville School Board and community members help to break ground Saturday at the site of the new Maryville middle school.

School district plans for future

■ Construction projects represent beginning of school bond's effect

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Gold-plated shovels were brought out and a bulldozer is at the site of the new middle school as the educational dreams of the community are coming true.

Almost 135 people gathered in frigid weather Sunday as the Maryville R-II School District took a giant step into the future when they broke ground on three new projects.

"Obviously, by the turnout we had, it was a great day," Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent said. "Our (high school) band is playing at the Chiefs game, (and) the Chiefs are on TV, but we still had a tremendous turnout. We just had to do it today and get on our way. The people are very excited about it."

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■ Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent

The ground breaking ceremonies, which took place at each of the three building sites, began with Bell and Bob Martin, School Board president, recognizing the Board, the community and others for their support of the project.

"We feel that we have made giant steps to the future of our young people's school today and those many who will follow after them," Bell said. "We're very appreciative that the Board and the administration has consented to allow us to go ahead with these projects."

Martin showed his gratitude for the efforts of those who gave up their time for the project.

"On behalf of the Board, we'd like to commend everybody for their hard work," Martin said. "As we stand here now, it doesn't seem like too long ago we got started on this."

Teachers, students, Board members and residents were among the people present at the ground breaking ceremonies.

"This was the most exciting day in education I've had," said Keith

Nowland, Washington Middle School principal. "The staff has worked so long and hard with the community to get this issue passed. It's going to be the educational opportunities for the students, and the staff and the community for generations to come."

Three students, one from each of the three schools included in the project, also participated in the ceremonies.

"I thought (the ground breaking) was neat," said Clint Lawyer, a fourth-grader at Eugene Field Elementary School. "I think it will be a neat school for all of us to go to."

Although the district broke ground, the Board realizes that much work still lies ahead.

"It's very exciting to see all the planning come forth into three projects and get started," Board member James Redd said. "It's just the start of a lot of new opportunities and new work, too. It's one thing to get moving, but then all the details

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Members of Northwest Celebration rehearse Tuesday for the Yuletide Feaste. The performance will run Thursday through Sunday beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Jennie Nelson/
Missourian Staff

Yuletide Feaste

Singers continue holiday tradition

by Nathaniel Hanway
Missourian Staff

Imagine going back to the Renaissance period — full of elaborate medieval dinners, music and festive holiday spirit.

The Yuletide Feaste, sponsored by the Northwest Madralier Singers, has been a University tradition for 24 years. Like past performances, the Feaste will transform the Union Ballroom into a replica of an ancient Renaissance hall.

"When the guests walk in, they will walk over a moat and drawbridge," said Richard Weymuth, Yuletide Feaste director. "They will walk under a spiked gate and into

the hall where the actors will be performing."

Just as in medieval times, there are many customs and traditions that are passed down year to year. For Jerry Nevins, who is in his fourth year in the show, the privilege of writing the script has been passed down to him.

"Writing the script is a lot of fun; I just wrote the framework, and that is where the creative process begins with everyone in the cast," Nevins said. "I also wrote it last year, and it's passed down from year to year to someone in the cast."

Along with the atmosphere and food, several members of Northwest's music department will

showcase their talents.

"Celebration will be singing Christmas music and a Recorder Consort will be performing music from the time," Weymuth said. "The Brass Quintet will also perform."

In previous years, the event has sold out and this year is no different. Saturday's showcase is already sold out.

Part of the show's success is the affordability, Weymuth said.

"We have always tried to make the Feaste affordable to the college students," Weymuth said. "At the big colleges like (University of Missouri-Columbia), they cost \$50 a person."

The Feaste generates an enjoyable environment for the guests, and for the performers as well.

"It's a lot of fun, but it is a lot of hard work and dedication," Celebration member Eric Woodward said. "This is my third year being in the Yuletide Feaste, and it leaves us with a good feeling of the yuletide season."

The Feaste is not only performed on campus, but the group also travels to different schools all over the northwest Missouri area.

The Feaste will begin tonight at 6:30 p.m. and continue through Saturday in the Union Ballroom.

Tickets are \$14 for students and \$17 for non-Northwest students.

CANCER DIAGNOSIS CHANGES LIFE

Coroner fights battle from within

by Lindsey Corey
Community News Editor

When Dennis Martin thought about dying, he always imagined something heroic.

He pictured a terrifying event. A home engulfed in a blazing inferno with the smell of smoke becoming almost unbearable — flames everywhere. All that could be heard were the screams of a frantic mother and shrill sirens.

"I always figured I'd get killed on some scene," said the volunteer firefighter of 18 years.

Instead, Martin is battling a fire from within — cancer.

Even though Martin has been diagnosed with stage four esophageal carcinoma, they "haven't taken away my gear yet."

Dying in the line of duty "could still happen," Martin said. "People hear 'cancer' and think it's all over. I can't assume life is over because I've been diagnosed with cancer."

There are no early detection tests used to screen the general public for cancer of the esophagus. In most cases, the cancer is discovered because of the symptoms it causes, according to the American Cancer Society. Diagnosis of patients without symptoms is rare and usually accidental. Unfortunately, most esophageal cancers do not cause symptoms until they have advanced to a stage at which a cure is unlikely.

That was the case with Martin.

His cancer was not discovered until it had progressed to stage four — the disease's final stage.

"You hear about how chemotherapy increases the odds of surviving," Martin said. "But this doesn't have a survival factor. There ain't no five years later."

Martin was experiencing difficulties eating in August. This was the first indication that there may be a tumor in his esophagus. The tumor disguised itself as a gastroesophageal reflux, a much less serious condition. Doctors treated the symptoms of the reflux for about a month, but nothing happened.

The next step was to do an endoscopic examination. Doctors looked inside the esophagus through a flexible, lighted tube and ran tests on the tumor around the end of September. Much to the Martin's relief, the biopsy results came back benign.

But the relief was only temporary. Martin was diagnosed with cancer Oct. 6. The tumor was not only malignant, but it had spread.

As the cancer progressed, Martin had found it more and more difficult to do simple, every day tasks that he used to take for granted.

"Just going up a flight of stairs is a day's work," he said.

There isn't an element of Martin's life the disease has left untouched.

"Its impact is that it makes me not the same person," he said. "I'm a reader. It used to be unheard of for me not to get through an 800-page novel in three days."

Now, about all he can finish is a few of the cards he receives. The various medications he is prescribed affect his concentration.

Martin has had to stop his job performing housing inspections at Community Services, Inc. He was working on a high-tech weatherization project when he became ill.

"I hate not being able to work," he said. "I'd like to get up enough strength to go in and build a (weatherization) model."

Another of Martin's duties is serving as the



Dennis Martin (right) sits with the Rev. Charles Tobin of St. Gregory's Catholic Church. Martin was diagnosed with Stage 4 esophageal cancer

in early October. Martin has been the Maryville Coroner since last November's election. He has also been a volunteer firefighter for the city.

Nodaway County coroner, which he was appointed to last year.

"I don't want to leave the Governor out on a limb," he said. "It's taken care of, though. I have a good deputy, Tom Scarborough."

Another void in his life is the fire department because he volunteered there for many years.

"Man, I loved that," he said. "We have one of the better fire departments in the Midwest. They're good. I'm really proud of them."

Martin had to be fed through a tube for two

months. Since then, his doctors have not restricted his diet, but the cancer and medications have.

"If it'll hold still and I can get it in me, it's on my diet," Martin said. "I also look for flavor to get past the medication. It's amazing how important eating is."

Martin feels lucky to have most of his immediate family live in town.

His oldest son and daughter-in-law recently

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■ Community offers support after rare cancer attacks

Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Celebration' forgets academics in praise

Gov. Mel Carnahan visited Northwest last week, but if you blinked on Tuesday, you would have missed it.

Those who managed to attend, however, noticed something else missing: praise for academics.

During the gathering to celebrate Northwest's receiving the 1997 Missouri Quality Award, Carnahan, along with University President Dean Hubbard, expelled considerable breath to congratulate Northwest for its advances in quality (naturally), renovations (who could miss them?) and technology.

Perhaps it was the short time frame for the celebration that caused the speakers to forget to include the University's fine academic departments in their verbiage. But really, that's no excuse. We may have won the Quality Award for our forward-thinking ideas, but what makes Northwest great is the quality of its academic departments.

However, the "celebration" seemed to say Northwest can be proud of two things: our winning athletic teams and the actions of administrators.

Granted, one of the most exciting parts of Northwest recently has been our teams — football and cross country in particular brought us a lot of pride. However, during Tuesday's mini-celebration, it was easy to forget why we're here: academics.

A brief rundown of some programs will show what they missed:

■ **Accounting:** This department has produced a stellar lineup of graduates who have gone on to high-ranking positions at big U.S. companies.

■ **Agriculture:** It's no secret that farming is a way of life in this part of the country, and our agriculture department is producing graduates who are ready to take their role in — and meet the demands of — this field.

■ **Computer Science/Information Systems:** Carnahan praised the Electronic Campus, but what about the department that is using that electronic campus to its fullest potential?

■ **Curriculum and Instruction:** At Horace Mann Lab School, college students receive real-world training that cannot be duplicated, and the elementary school children receive a great education.

■ **Geography/Geology:** In 1990, it was named the No. 2 program in the nation by a group of independent researchers.

■ **Music:** One of the most vocal — literally — departments is also one of the best recruiters.

■ **Mass Communication:** Every aspect of this department excels in its field: The print media continue to win national recognition and awards, and broadcasting organizations do as well. Perhaps if the celebration had not been two days after Thanksgiving vacation, everyone involved would have had more time to prepare.

We're not trying to be sourpusses about the celebration; it was nice to try to give everyone an opportunity to be excited about this honor that Northwest has received. But this celebration left a sour taste in the mouths of many people at Northwest, and in the future, administrators need to understand that there is more to Northwest than athletics and orange fences.

Our View

OF THE COMMUNITY

Don't be a Scrooge; help others during the holidays

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, but not necessarily for everyone.

There are many less fortunate people in this area who may not be as excited for the coming of Christmas. It is the duty of everyone else to make sure their Christmas is just as wonderful.

Many local individuals and organizations are already making an extra effort to spread the Holiday cheer. We want to commend these people and the unselfishness of their deeds.

The Angel Tree serves as a reminder that there are children in Nodaway County. Without the help from others, they would not be smiling Christmas morning.

There is an abundance of groups willing to help in Maryville as well.

Wal-Mart is donating a percentage of its sales to Toys for Tots. It also has a tree, similar to the Angel Tree sponsored by the Red Cross which is sending coats and clothing to families in need.

The proceeds from the Maryville Jaycees' Christmas trees will help support local Toys for Tots and the Nodaway County Food Pantry. The Jaycees are also sponsoring a Rent-a-Santa with proceeds going to the family they have adopted.

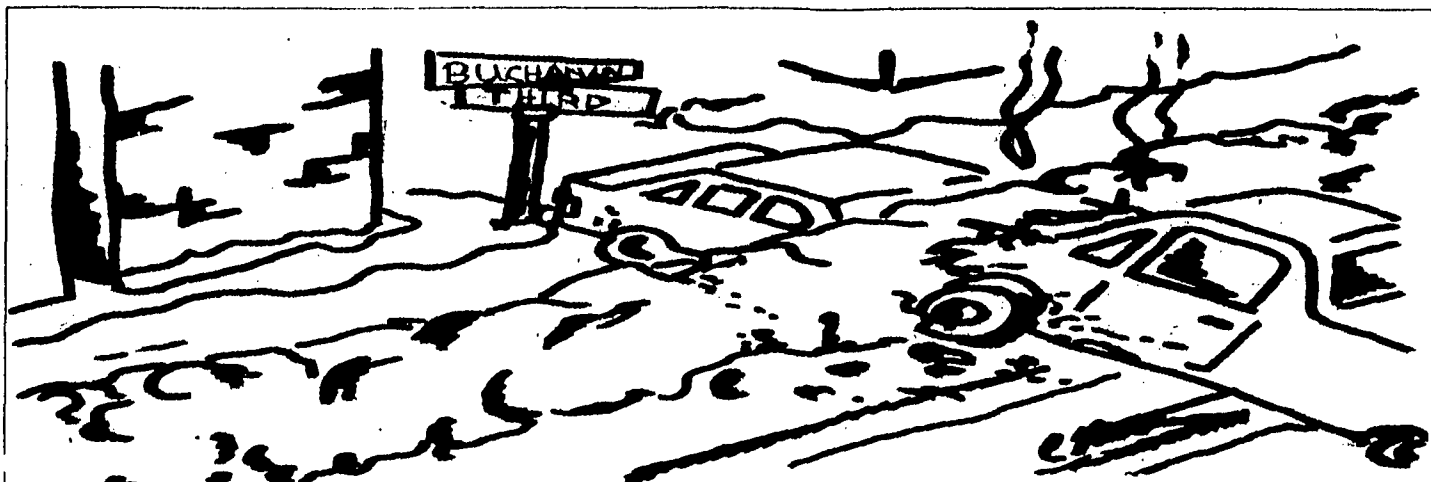
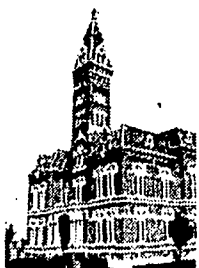
Local grocery stores such as Food 4 Less and Easter's Foods also are helping charities by hosting "demonstrations."

The Chamber of Commerce is heading a Santa shopping spree and along with local businesses are offering drawings for Chamber bucks with prizes ranging from \$350-\$500.

The holiday season is a time of giving, and there are many great opportunities here to spread the yuletide cheer in Maryville.

All area residents should help the less fortunate and rally behind these local businesses.

Don't be a Scrooge — it is up to you to make sure that others can enjoy this time of year.



Maryville Department of Transportation Fact No. 70: Did you know Maryville is the only city in the union to plow their snow to the middle of the street?

My Turn

Last 2 cents: Graduating seniors bid farewell after 4.5 years



■ Chris Geinosky

Advice on college life — from friendships to internships — is this senior's graduation present to undergrads

Well, I can't believe it. Years of hard work, dedication and perseverance have paid off — OK, those all-nighters paid off.

Soon I will be an alumnus from Northwest, so don't worry. If I can do it, that means you still have hope.

After spending the last four and a half years in the 'Ville, I feel like I know this place inside-out. Let me tell you, if you're seeking consultation or professional help, you're coming to the wrong place.

But I can still offer some pretty good advice to you undergrads. Here's some things you always want to remember.

■ Freshmen, lose the high school letterman jackets. Everybody wants to be a Bearcat!

■ Even if you think you don't have any friends, don't worry, there's always Velma the Wal-Mart greeter. If you don't have a car, there's Cathy at Freshens.

■ Make sure you get everything from your parents now. When you reach my age, you get a conscience and feel bad asking for money.

■ Don't put up with your

roommate's crap. He has to go to class some time, so you can get him back.

■ Guys, date someone on campus so when your Bearcat card runs out of money, you can have her pay for your meals.

■ Try to avoid that dreaded trek on U.S. 71 between Maryville and St. Joe — nuff said.

■ Make sure you do some kind of internship in college. That way after graduation, you can tell your co-workers at the grocery how it was a great place to work.

■ Guys, don't worry about women. The more you know, the more confused you get. Trust me on this one.

■ Just have fun and be yourself because this won't last forever.

There, that oughta get you through college. Hey, nobody ever called me "Dear Abby," but I tried my best.

Now, before I finish the last column in my collegiate career, I need to recognize some people that helped me get here.

■ Publications adviser Laura Widmer — I still don't know how she does all the things she does, and I can't believe she put up with

me for four years!

■ The Maryville High School staff and coaches — I hope you enjoyed working with me as much as I enjoyed working you all of you. Go 'Hounds!

■ Terry Barmann and Lee Miller — Wanna know anything about officiating the game of baseball? Boy, these guys are good at what they do.

■ Gene Cassell (his ego has to be riding high now) — He directly and indirectly taught me many of the things I now about journalism today, even if he doesn't have much hair left.

■ All of my friends, and there are many of you — you guys are what made my experience here the best.

And even though we may be going our separate ways, our memories will always keep us together.

Thank you to everybody, and good luck in the future. But don't worry, I'll be back for Homecoming — as long as I can find a damn parking space.

Chris Geinosky will graduate with a major in journalism and a minor in broadcasting.

My Turn



■ Corbin Pierce

Four and a half years of haircuts, banking and Greek life leave fond memories

I received my mail the other day and found that I will be graduating, but there will be a fee. I thought it was odd that I was assessed the fee, but it almost seemed fitting.

All this means that I must say good-bye and thank you to some wonderful people and this institution.

However, instead of saying good-bye, I am going to leave you with some helpful pieces of advice that I have gathered over the past four and a half years and a few thank yous.

■ Eating at Tower isn't that bad. Over the years, I have grown accustomed to the taste of their steaks. You see, if you get a soufle cup and fill it half with ranch dressing and half with A-1 Steak Sauce and mix it up, it takes the steak to the next level. I know it sounds gross, it looks gross, but it tastes good.

■ I used to think that Roosevelt Bank was the best bank in the town. You see, I used to bank at another spot on the square.

However, I was treated somewhat like a child, and I didn't feel like I was treated in a fair manner. So I moved my services to Roosevelt, which is now Mercantile. The ladies that worked there were the nicest bunch of adults I have ever worked with. They were always more than willing to talk to me, let me know of a special deal and they always called me by name. I truly felt like I was banking back home. Mercantile has taken over, and it sucks. The people are rude and the service is horrible. They said, "The customer won't even be able to tell we've made changes." The

Roosevelt ladies look at me when I go in and the look on their face is like, "I'm sorry." So I'm not going to bank there anymore. The point of this section is to say thank you to those ladies that made banking at Roosevelt easy for me during college.

■ Getting a haircut to some guys is not a big deal. To me, however, it is as important as the clothes I wear. So just not any place will do. I was getting my haircut at this one place. The price for a haircut was like \$5 or something. Except, he only knew one style. High and tight. I'd say just a trim today and he'd say ... High and tight! The cue ball look isn't for me, so I found a place called Looks Salon. I have been getting my hair cut there for most of my college career. Pam was the best stylist, I use that term in a masculine manner, I have ever had. I would call and say "Pam I need a haircut today," and she would bump people just for me to get a simple haircut.

■ To the mass communication department, I truly feel sorry for students who just go to class, get their degrees and leave. I have been lucky to be apart of a department where I feel like I am a part of it. From this newspaper to the radio. You know how the athletes on campus work hard in their sport when they aren't in class. Well, broadcasting and journalism students are working hard on the *Missourian*, *KXCX*, *KDLX*, *KNWT*, *Hearland View* and *Tower Yearbook*. This department is one of the trendsetting departments in the college industry. If you don't

believe me, then go look on the walls of the journalism and broadcasting departments. Did you know that the broadcasting department has a full production company that creates corporate videos for major companies and the journalism department sets the pace in multimedia for colleges around the country? That's impressive.

■ Finally, to the Residence Hall Association for encouraging me to be in a Greek organization. Yes, RHA. My freshman year, I hung out with guys on my floor, and we did everything together. One time my whole floor streaked from Phillips Hall to Hudson Hall. Besides saying perversion, it says that 30 guys got along great and had a lot of fun together — all thanks to RHA. But you know what, the typical thing at Northwest happened. They all transferred or dropped out. I had nothing, except my major.

I decided to rush Delta Chi. It was fun because it reminded me of the fun my friends and I had my freshman year. I loved it, so I joined. I catch a lot of slack for it, too. I laugh when people say "God Damn Independent" or some other kind of acrostic.

You see, I have tried GDI. It wasn't for me. It's like eating vegetables when you are little. "How do you know you don't like them if you haven't tried them?" my mom would say. Remember that.

Be involved, be sociable and have fun. You're only here once.

Corbin Pierce will graduate with a major in broadcasting and a minor in journalism.

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It's Your Turn

What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas?



"A go-cart and roller skates and my two front teeth."

Josh Wagner, age 6



"I want Barbie dolls and roller skates."

Kendra Wagner, age 7



"I want Miko from Pocahontas."

Allyson Carter, age 3



"A 3D puzzle — they're not flat, they build up."

Seth Scott, age 6



"A bear, because I just do."

Lee Martin, age 4



"Farm stuff and that's all."

Trevor Hines, age 4

Virus infects many campus computers

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

If you still have papers to write and need to use computers at Owens Library or other buildings on campus, watch out before opening your Microsoft Word document.

A new strain of virus has infected Microsoft Word in many computers on campus, and the virus has spread and created problems for many users.

A Word document becomes in-

fected with the virus after users save it on the infected computer. Sometimes the document can be recovered in other forms such as in a template.

One of the major problems is that users have to retype what they have written because they cannot open the document. In the worst case, the document is destroyed.

"Unfortunately, I've been working on these assignments (that now have the virus) for the past four weeks," said Kelson Thomas, engineering computer major. "Right now,

I've got a headache because all my files were scrambled because viruses are difficult to analyze now. I don't know what to do (with my assignments)."

Thomas said he asked computer lab assistants for help, but they could not solve the problems.

Tabatha Verbick, academic computing user consultant, said although she is not sure how the new virus was brought into the library, the current anti-virus program cannot protect against the new strain of virus.

"The anti-virus program protects all the viruses (known of at that time) once the anti-virus is released," Verbick said. "New strains of viruses can come out, which means an anti-virus program can't catch (them) because it doesn't know of (them)."

Verbick said the only solution is to upgrade the anti-virus software. But she cannot do it now because the operation takes time and there are more than 100 computers in the library.

Verbick also said many users

would be upset if the consultants updated the software because it is a busy time for many students in the semester.

"I plan, in January, (before spring semester) to drop all the hard drives here and fresh load to update the 'Norton Anti-Virus' (anti-virus software) to the most current version at this point, which should help even more against viruses," Verbick said.

However, Verbick said she will not update the anti-virus software in the computers in the residence halls

because that's the students responsibility.

Verbick recommended three temporary ways to deal with the new strains of virus for the Word users. One is to print out the document often, so that way they can retype the document if it is lost.

The second tip for users is to ask lab assistants if they do not know what to do. Finally, all individuals should purchase anti-virus software which is available in the bookstore and they keep updating.

Conference Center opens for finals

■ RHA, Student Senate sponsors alternate study environment for exams

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Many students use the library as a place to study during finals week. However, for those who need additional time than library hours, the Residence Hall Association and Student Senate is opening the Conference Center as an alternative place to study during finals week.

Beginning Monday, it will be available for students from 11:30 p.m. until 7:30 a.m. throughout the week.

RHA and Student Senate want to provide students an opportunity to get their work done in a quiet at-

mosphere where they will not be interrupted by others.

Free coffee and doughnuts are incentives for studying in the Conference Center.

RHA has sponsored the study session for the last three years. The turnout averages 150 students a night.

RHA president Jeff Lukens said it is a good place to study because it gives the students a change of environment and puts them in a setting for the purpose of studying.

"A lot of times, all people need is a change of atmosphere to get their studying done," Lukens said. "And the good turnouts show that students do like it."

The Conference Center will be split into three sections. One section will be for individual study, one for

group study and the third section will be a break room.

There won't be any reference materials or computers provided for students, but the building does have data ports for students to plug in their personal computers.

Lukens said students can come and go as they please throughout the night.

RHA hopes this service will help the students. Josh Skidmore, biology/psychology major, said it is an opportunity that should be taken advantage of if it fits the student's personal schedules.

"I think if I was going to study at 1 a.m. and I needed some doughnuts, I would definitely go," Skidmore said. "It sounds like a good plan and could be really beneficial for students."

Fall 1997 Finals Schedule

All sections of:
PE/HES (Lifetime Wellness) 110
Mathematics 114, 115
Chemistry (Lab) 113, 115, 117
Physical Science (Lab) 103
Computer Science 130
History 155
Government 102
Communications 102

The Missouriian prints this schedule as a service to students, but students are encouraged to check with instructors for official finals times.



Classes meeting for the first time in the week:

Monday, December 15

December 15, 9:40 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.
December 15, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 16, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
December 16, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
December 16, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
December 17, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
December 17, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 18, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

11 a.m. Monday
2 p.m. Monday
9 a.m., 9:30 a.m. or 9:35 a.m.
Tuesday
2 p.m. Tuesday

Tuesday, December 16

8 a.m. Tuesday
11 a.m. Tuesday
3 p.m. Monday
9 a.m. Monday

Wednesday, December 17

Noon Monday
3 p.m., 3:30 p.m. or 3:35 p.m.
Tuesday
10 a.m. Monday

Thursday, December 18

8 a.m. Monday
1 p.m. Monday
Noon, 12:30 p.m. or 12:35 p.m.
Tuesday
4 p.m. Tuesday

Friday, December 19

10 a.m. Tuesday
4 p.m. Monday
1 p.m. Tuesday

Date and hour of final examination

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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Heather Alingo/Missourian Staff

Bands join forces for game

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

The Bearcat and Spoofhound marching band members performed during the halftime show at the Kansas City Chiefs football game Sunday.

"It went by in a hurry with eight minutes to play," said Al Sergel, Northwest band director. "I was very pleased, (because they) don't get to warm up and it (was) cold."

Despite the weather, the adrenaline was flowing throughout the band.

Also being in front of 70,000 Chiefs' fans made performing in an NFL stadium more exciting for many band members.

"It was incredible and awesome to perform in front of that many people," said Alan Hutchcraft, drumline section leader. "It was a good experience for both to learn

what it is like to play with higher level experience, on the same hand (it) calls for them to (both) get better."

It was the second time the Northwest band performed at a Chiefs game. Although there were a few first time performers in the squad.

"I was very nervous, but I thought we did a good job," said Jennifer Will, Northwest saxophone player. "Seventy thousand people is a lot of people to play in front of, but involving the high school made things seem even better."

Having the high school band join the University band was a decision made over the summer when Sergel asked Dennis Dau, Maryville High School band director, to perform part of the show with them.

"It was a great opportunity for the high school students and was a way to give the students an educational opportunity," Dau said.

Both groups worked hard to make the experience a positive one. They worked on the music individually to prepare each band separately, Dau said.

"The last week, both bands got together to practice to put everything together," Andrea Stiens, Maryville trumpet player said. "It was a little work, especially playing the first trumpet part with the notes a lot higher."

High performance was the result the hard work of the many students that were involved.

Bill Dodd, Maryville High School band director, wrote the drill formation in collaboration with Sergel, setting the forms up to allow both bands to join together.

Elisabeth Crawford, Northwest feature twirler, worked in combining auxiliary flag twirler work, and John Milligan, flag corps coordinator designed the auxiliary flag corps work.

Regents

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tions as to what the students want."

Student Regent Marissa Sanchez said the job is a difficult task that takes responsibility and articulation, but is an incredible opportunity.

"It's been rewarding to become familiar with the interworkings of the campus, as well as being on a different level with the students and the faculty," Sanchez said.

The position, which is required at all state schools in Missouri, was established through state legislation.

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Northwest Missourian

First woman's group produces magazine

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

The Northwest Beta Sigma Phi chapter, a women's group on campus, is entering uncharted waters as plans its debut issue of *Lyrix*, a feminist magazine.

"This is an opportunity for a magazine with a woman's point of view," club president Joannie Kidder said. "We hope it reflects what goes on in a woman's life from a wide variety of viewpoints."

Kidder realizes completing the 64-page journal will not be an easy task.

"It will be a challenge, and there will be a lot to learn as we go," she said. "We don't expect it to be perfect, but we will give it our best shot."

The club is looking for works by students, faculty and community members.

If someone would like to have their work published they can submit a piece to the club for consideration. They are looking for poetry, fiction, nonfiction, art and photography.

Beta Sigma Phi will fund the magazine by charging \$3 for each issue, as well as fund raisers and applying for a grant.

"Our mission is to provoke thought and experience from the woman's perspective," Kidder said. "We hope to provide a tie between campus and community."

Kidder expects the magazine to come out in March which corresponds with Women's History month.

Entries should be addressed to *Lyrix* in care of Beta Sigma Phi and delivered to the campus mail center located in Thompson-Ringold.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Denise Hastings, right, who portrayed Mrs. Claus in the children's Christmas show, talks with children who

came to the Charles Johnson Theater for the production Friday night. The show ran Friday through Saturday.

Play offers Christmas twist

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

How many times can a psychiatric patient be described as jolly, bearded and having a tummy that shook like a bowl full of jelly?

As odd as that may sound, members of Alpha Psi Omega portrayed that picture last weekend in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The honorary theater fraternity performed its annual children's Christmas show which gave Maryville residents a chance to enjoy a Christmas show and learn several lessons.

The show, "Santa Sees a Shrink," was \$1 or a canned food item donation for the Maryville Food Pantry.

The show has been a tradition at Northwest since the 60s, said Charles Schultz, fraternity sponsor and theater professor.

Although it is a children's show, this year's attraction been viewed by all age groups.

"We were expecting 200-300 people for the shows on campus; mostly kids and college students who were seeing it for theater appreciation class," play director

Nate Stuber said. "This script was written more to the adult audience than in the past, making it enjoyable to all ages."

It was Stuber's first experience in the director's chair and an enjoyable one.

"It has been a lot of fun," Stuber said. "I had a good, energetic cast that made it easy to work."

The show is very important to Alpha Psi Omega's because it is their major fund-raising event for the year. The group will take the show on the road to several other venues in the area, such as Ravenwood and Shenandoah, Iowa.

Schultz said the group has an honorary fee at each show they perform to cover the traveling expenses. Overall, the show was enjoyed last weekend by those involved.

"I hope it shows good Christmas spirit," Schultz said. "It is entertaining to the school and a service to the community."

The show is not only for entertainment but will give the cast more acting experience.

"It is a valuable experience for the kids to adapt and adjust to all facilities in which they must perform their craft," Schultz said.

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Couple travels to Africa, fights polio epidemic

■ Retired physician, wife volunteer time giving children vaccine

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Hunger, drought and war are the usual images that come to mind when Africa is mentioned.

However, another problem is virtually running unchecked through the continent. Even though it hasn't been seen in the Western Hemisphere since 1991, polio is an epidemic that affects millions of African children from jungles to deserts.

Although it may seem far away from most people's everyday lives, two Maryville residents are concerned with the spread of polio in Africa.

Retired physician Robert Dunshee and his wife, Winifred, recently spent a week in Ethiopia giving polio vaccinations at free health clinics.

"Sometimes we don't look beyond our own communities," Dunshee said. "What some people don't realize is that their community today is about 25,000 miles around."

As many as nine million children were treated Nov. 12-14 in a countrywide program called National Immunization Days (NIDs), Dunshee said.

More than 500 children were treated in one morning alone, and more than 180 doctors from around

the world volunteered for the program.

The polio vaccine is not difficult to administer. It is an oral vaccine, and it only takes a couple of drops on the tongue to immunize a child. Adults are rarely treated for polio because they have already built up an immunity.

"We went to very primitive clinics," Dunshee said. "One day we even delivered a baby. Workers used such primitive things as pressure cookers to sterilize equipment."

NIDs are set up by Polio Plus Partners, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and governments around the world. At a recent NID in India, more than 70 million children were immunized against polio in one week.

"I had the opportunity to go and finish this crusade (against polio). I would like to leave this footprint behind me."

■ Robert Dunshee, retired physician

The program began more than 10 years ago when the Rotary International originally set out to eradicate the polio virus. Their goal was to raise \$120 million. Amazingly, over \$240 million was raised to provide the vaccine around the world.

More than \$400 million dollars has been spent for the vaccines so far, Dunshee said. These funds are still not adequately meeting the world's needs.

"We take (the polio vaccine) for granted," Dunshee said. "We're so lucky in the United States; we tend to forget that other people in the world aren't."

Africa is a reservoir for polio de-



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
Robert and Winifred Dunshee spent a week in Ethiopia immunizing children with the polio vaccine. They wore uniforms to identify them as volunteers in Africa's National Immunization Day.

spite concentrated efforts to eliminate it, Dunshee said. The main reason for this is the vaccine must be refrigerated which is a difficult task in the humid jungles of Africa.

"The vaccine must be delivered by foot, bus, runners, canoes and even helicopters," Dunshee said. "We have developed an insulated container to get the vaccine to the darkest areas of Africa."

However, another major obstacle the workers had to overcome was fear.

The doctors found out a rumor had started that the doctors were trying to spread HIV.

"I've always been interested in Africa, and I think it has lots of potential — if they can get their act together," Dunshee said. "It's hard to fight that kind of ignorance."

Dunshee has been with the Ro-

program since its start. He has helped raise money as well as provided his services as a physician. Dunshee is dedicated to fighting polio for two reasons.

"No. 1, I'm a physician, and I'm dedicated to provide good health to people," he said. "No. 2, I remember when polio closed the public pool. It was a scary time for a lot of people."

His childhood experience with polio made Dunshee eager for the opportunity to help fight the disease in Ethiopia.

"It really got to me," he said. "I had the opportunity to go and finish this crusade (against polio). I would like to leave this footprint behind me."

For millions of children in Africa, footprints left by people such as Dunshee could lead them to a longer and healthier life.



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
A nurse in Ethiopia shows a child how the polio vaccine is administered. As many as nine million children were treated by volunteers at free clinics Nov. 12-14 during National Immunization Days in Africa.

Ground

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that have to take place at this point, and (there are) lots of challenges ahead."

The building project is a combination of a new middle school building at West South Hills Drive as well as additions to Eugene Field Elementary School and Maryville High School.

The project should get underway

as soon as possible, depending on the weather, Bell said. The district is anticipating that the elementary and high school projects will be finished by August of 1998, while the middle school building should be completed by the end of April 1999.

Barbara Heckathorn, Eugene Field Elementary School principal, said the additions will provide an exceptional opportunity for the children's future.

"We have been very, very crowded at Eugene Field," Heckathorn said. "It is a fantastic thing that says the community truly cares about the education of their children and they are looking towards the future, and appropriately providing for the children of the community."

Ray Courter, School Board vice president, was part of the very first steering committee on the bond is-

sue. He and other board members continued to do research on the project. It took seven bond issues before a general obligation bond issue of \$9.485 million passed April 1, 1997.

"I've had an interest in school issues for a long, long time," Courter said. "I'm pleased the community saw it fit this time to vote for the proposal. I'm really thankful that the community took as long as it did in

one sense because it turned out to be the best set of circumstances and best proposal we could have come up with. The community had an insight, and I believe that was very important."

The district can begin working towards their ultimate goal of improving the educational standards and technology of all of the Maryville's schools.

"It means that there are youth in the years to come that will have the

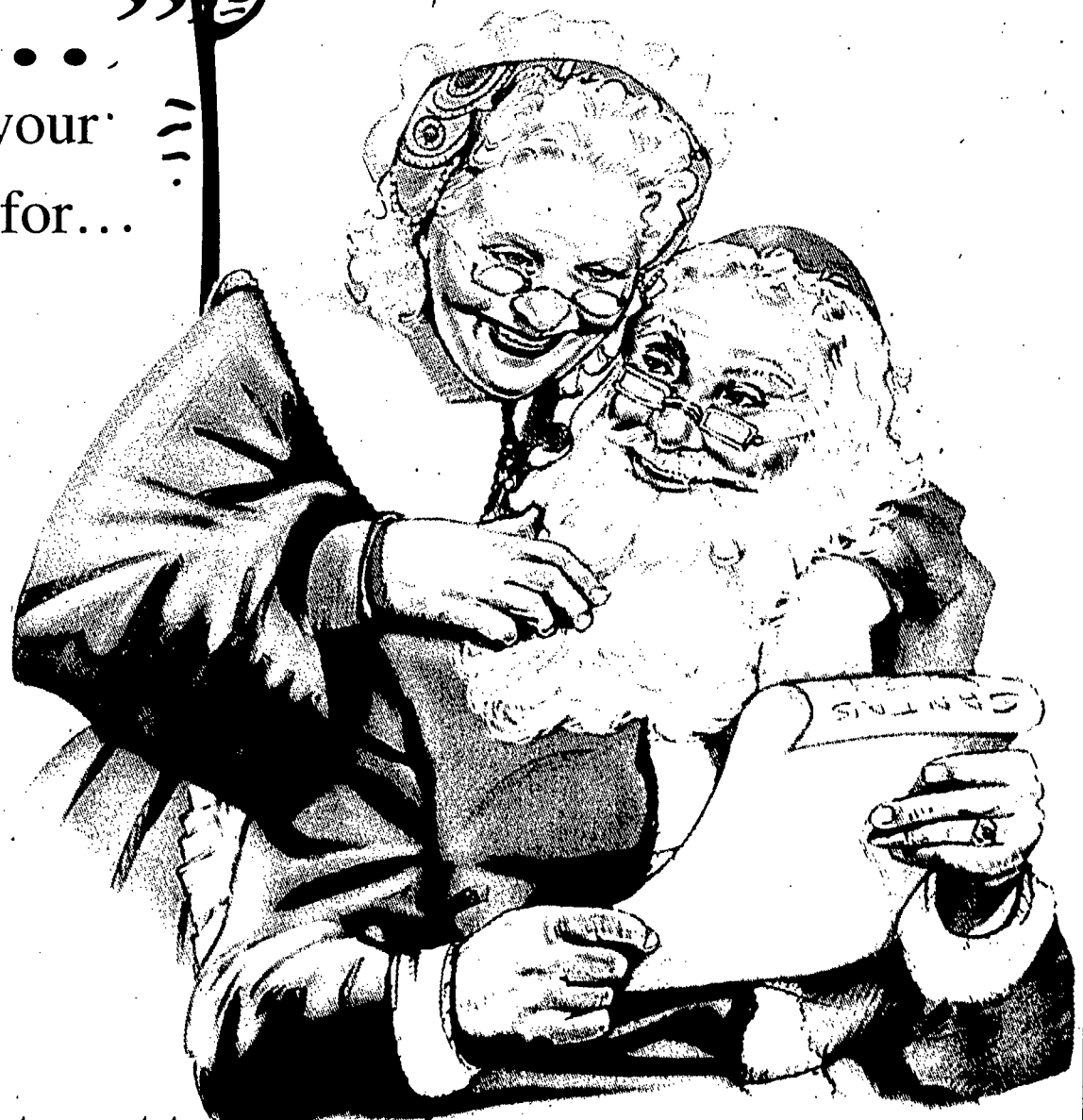
type of facilities and programs that they'll be able to be educated in, so they can go out and beat the world," Redd said. "With all the technology and all the challenges taking place, all the needs for education and personalization in education that this will allow, is really great for our community, and to know that our youth here in Maryville will have an opportunity to compete worldwide."

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Residents gather to honor banker

by **Toru Yamauchi**
Chief Reporter

Celebrating a promotion and wishing an influential Maryville man farewell brought many people to the University Conference Center Tuesday.

Rollie Stadlman vice president of Citizen's Bank and Trust in Chillicothe. He will move after Christmas.

Stadlman has worked as the executive vice president for First Bank CBC for five years. The promotion also puts him in charge of marketing at three banks.

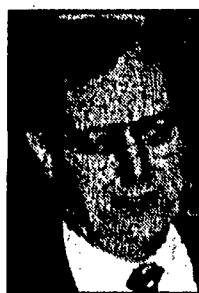
Stadlman worked at Northwest until 1991 for 21 years. He was one of the founders of KXCV, director of broadcasting, Alumni Relations director and executive assistant to University President Dean Hubbard.

Stadlman has lived in Maryville since 1965. This promotion is a new opportunity for Stadlman.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity and hopefully continuing to contribute to the growth of the company," Stadlman said.

Although Stadlman was proud of being part of the new bank, he said he would miss Maryville.

"We (Stadlman and his wife) wish we



■ **Rollie Stadlman**

could stay in the community," he said. "We leave with some sadness and look forward to the start of an adventure."

Stadlman's influence will make many local people miss him.

"We're very sad to lose him because Rollie is not only an effective banker, but he's been a most effective citizen in Maryville," said Robert Foster, former University president. "We'll always think of Rollie as a part of campus and Maryville."

Mike Johnson, Alumni Relations director, and a Northwest student and broadcasting major when Stadlman was the director of broadcasting, said he cannot imagine Maryville without him.

"It's hard to envision what Maryville is going to be like without Rollie," Johnson said. "He is someone I always looked up to."

Martin

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moved back to Maryville and his youngest son attends Northwest and lives at home. The Martins' daughter goes to the Colorado Institute of Art.

Despite Martin's illness, the family is trying to make the best of this holiday season. They were able to go to Norfolk, Neb., to see his family for Thanksgiving and have already made travel plans for Christmas.

"I need to get to Texas and Colorado," he said. "I've got friends there that introduced Paula and I. The doctors will let me go. I'm pushy."

It hurts Martin to see his family going through this pain.

"It's a hell of a lot easier on me than anybody else," he said. "They have to deal with the cancer and me."

From what Martin can tell, his family his handling the news of his cancer courageously.

"They try to protect me," he said. "I don't see a lot of it except maybe a little through a crack."

Martin has faced the fact that he may not see his family develop into the future.

"My wife (Paula) was planning on having me around for another 30 years," he said. "I was planning on seeing my grandchildren."

Martin's gratitude also extends to his friends and all of Maryville.

"People come out of the woodwork," he said. "If you're not standing in the right place at the right time,

you'll never see this about Maryville. It's amazing."

From the beginning, community members and friends have taken on the role of good samaritans. The Martin home has had somewhat of a revolving door since the diagnosis.

"People are always dropping in to offer their support," he said. "There's two or three guys that walk away from their jobs to take me to coffee three times a week. It's great."

Martin said there are countless individuals who want to help. He is still amazed by the people who always make time for him.

"They've got no agenda, except me," he said. "That's selflessness beyond a call."

The local firefighters sponsored a dance in Martin's honor in November at the Legion Club.

Martin was worried about how long he would be able to stand at the event. Just as he was getting ready to go, a few friends drove up to his house. They loaded his chair in the back of the truck and took it to the dance.

"I even got to dance twice," he said. "There were a bunch of people I hadn't seen for a long time. It was a hoot getting together."

Much to his surprise, the city declared Nov. 14, Dennis Martin Day.

The firefighters also surprised Martin during Northwest's Homecoming.

"My big goal was to get home for the parade," he said. "The guys had put a big 'Welcome Home Dennis' sign on the fire truck."

"People come out of the woodwork. If you're not standing in the right place at the right time, you'll never see this about Maryville."

■ **Dennis Martin, Maryville resident**

Several people even gathered their frequent flyer miles to bring Martin's daughter home for Thanksgiving.

Road to Recovery, a group of retired residents, provided transportation and company for Martin when he was receiving treatment five days a week. Without the help of these volunteers, Paula would have had to quit her job to transport her husband.

Martin has always taken an honest approach with his friends and family.

"I haven't kept any secrets," he said. "I'm pretty much what-you-see-is-what-you-get. I'm a real poor liar."

Martin said that way it is easier on his friends. They don't have to ask uncomfortable questions and they don't wonder how he's doing.

"It's terribly hard on them," he said. "But that way, they can deal with it and I don't feel like I'm mistreating them."

Martin went through a course of radiation and chemotherapy at Heartland Health System Cancer Center in St. Joseph.

A recent CAT scan revealed that the original radiation successfully shrunk the tumor in the esophagus, but the rest of the cancerous tissue had spread through the blood stream to his liver.

"The tumor is large and fast growing," he said. "It travels faster than I'll get out."

The treatments have caused Martin to lose nearly 40 pounds.

"Except for the swelling in my face and neck, I look like a damn refugee," he said.

Right now, he is trying to gain some of the weight back and strengthen his legs.

Martin was scheduled to begin radical chemotherapy this week. There is a 50 percent chance the chemotherapy will be effective. There is also a 50 percent chance it will accelerate the disease.

"It's sort of depressing," he said. "I'm not looking out that huge of a window."

His doctors have not given Martin a life expectancy.

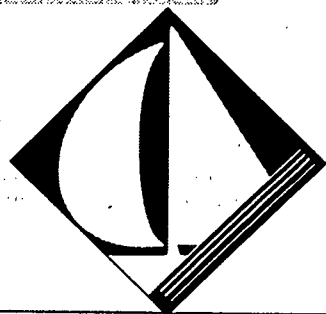
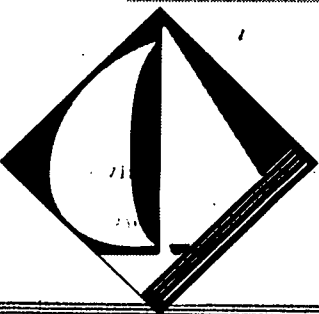
"It's months, not years," he said.

"I'd like to make it to my 50th birthday in May. I'm also shooting for our 30th anniversary next November, but that will be a stretch."

Congratualtions and Good Luck to our December Graduates!

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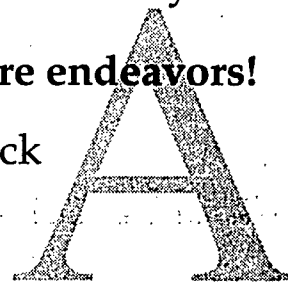


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Good Luck in all your future endeavors!

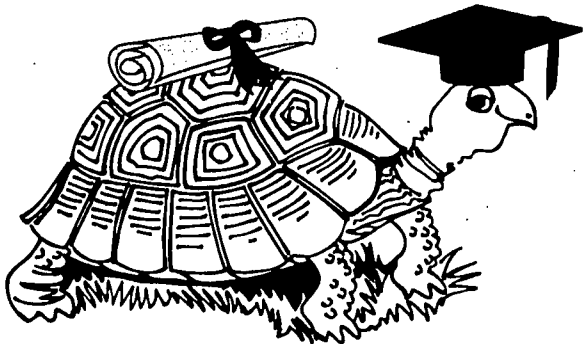
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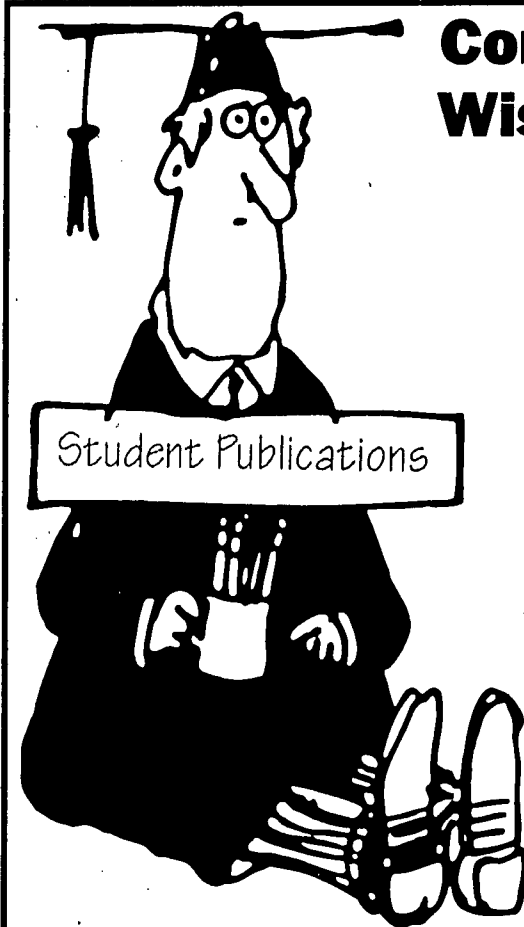
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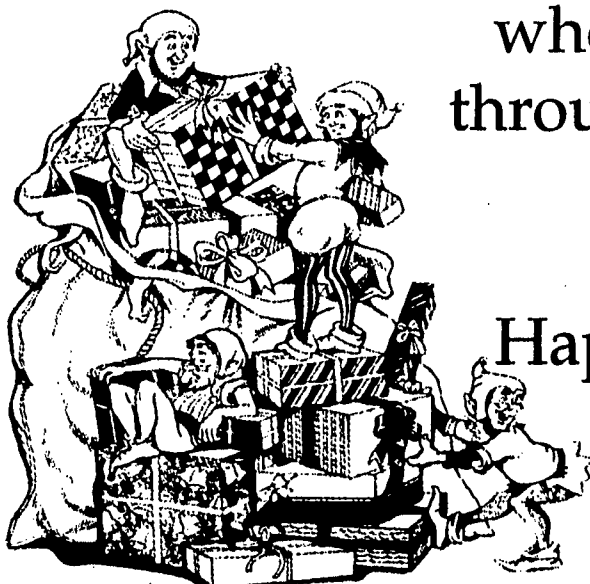
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Public Safety

December 4

While on patrol in the 600 block of North Main Street, an officer observed a vehicle cross over the center line. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Andrew P. Peterson, 20, Maryville. While talking with the driver, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he failed to complete a field sobriety test successfully and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

While on patrol in the area of Buchanan and Lincoln streets an officer saw a vehicle with a headlight out. While talking with the driver Christopher L. Veatch, 20, St. Joseph, an odor of intoxicants was detected and he was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he unsuccessfully completed a field sobriety test and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit.

Brandi L. Hicks, Maryville, was westbound on College Park Drive, approaching College Avenue. Brooke J. Cashion, Overland Park, Kan., was traveling west on College Avenue approaching College Park Drive. Hicks was unable to stop because of road conditions and struck Cashion.

Jennifer L. Clement, Maryville, and Debra C. Henggeler, Ravenwood, were both traveling south on Main Street. Clement said Henggeler applied the brakes and Clement put her brakes on and fish-tailed striking Henggeler's vehicle in the rear. No citations were issued.

December 6

While an officer was on patrol in the 1100 block of East Halsey, he observed a vehicle fail to stop at a stop sign. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Terry L. Messick, 42, Maryville. While talking with the driver, an odor of intoxicants was detected and she was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after she could not complete a field sobriety test successfully and her blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. She was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a stop sign.

Witnesses reported that Keith M. Swinford, Maryville, was backing up and struck the vehicle of Kipp E. Feldt, Maryville, then left the scene. After getting a description of Swinford's vehicle, it was located and citations for failure to exercise highest degree of care and leaving the scene were issued to Swinford.

December 7

A 1988 Ford Bronco II was towed from Fourth and Walnut streets where it was illegally parked.

Jerry R. Pye and Susan L. Grace, both of Maryville, were traveling south on Main Street. Grace slowed in traffic and her vehicle was struck in the rear by Pye. A citation was issued to Pye for failure to exercise the highest degree of care.

New Arrivals

Michael Andrew Holley

Chuck and Patty Holley, Maryville, are the parents of Michael Andrew, born Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Grandparents are Norman and Louise Andrews, St. Joseph; and John and Colleen Holley, Shell Rock, Iowa.

Payton Jeanne Ternus

Dana Schulz and Jason Ternus, Maryville, are the parents of Payton Jeanne, born Dec. 2 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Robin Schulz and Gale Jungemann-Schulz, Seward, Neb.; and Mary and Jerry Ternus, Goehner, Neb.

Campus Safety Obituaries

December 1

Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

A student reported the theft of their student identification and it was used fraudulently. An investigation was conducted, and the charges were found to be made by owner of the card. The report was forwarded to the vice president of Student Affairs.

December 2

Campus Safety investigated a property damage report in a building on campus. The suspect was located and issued a summons to the vice president of Student Affairs.

Campus Safety investigated a report of an unwanted guest. The information was unfounded.

Campus Safety responded to a building on campus in reference to a student in need of help. Contact was made with the student, and the individual was transported to St. Francis Hospital for further evaluation.

December 3

Campus Safety investigated a report of property damage on campus. An investigation was initiated.

Robert Muttl

Robert M. Muttl, 85, Hopkins, died Dec. 1 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born June 21, 1912, to Albert and Eva Muttl in Hopkins.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille; one daughter, Sherrie Mitchell; two brothers, Ralph and George; 2 granddaughters; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were last Thursday at the Wray Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins.

Cletus Pitzenbarger

Cletus E. Pitzenbarger, 85, Ravenwood, died Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 12, 1912, to Philip and Zita Pitzenbarger in Rockwell, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; two daughters Joanne Schmitz and Genie Swenson; three brothers; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in St. Joseph.

James Thompson

James "Jimmie" B. Thompson, 69, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Heartland East Hospital in St. Joseph.

He was born June 11, 1949, to Harold and Dora Thompson in Maryville.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene; two sons, Curt and Scott; two daughters, Marlene and D'Ann; and one grandson.

Services were Friday, at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Otis Booth

Otis Eugene Booth, 81, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born Nov. 22, 1916, to Earl and Cora Booth in Wilcox.

Survivors include two daughters, Marcia Beattie and Gail; one son, Lowell; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Friday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Herbert Gard

Herbert Lee Gard, 95, Maryville, died last Thursday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Aug. 22, 1920, to Herbert and Belle Gard in Shellsburg, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Pearl; five sons, Curtis, Paul, Darl, Wayne and Dean; three daughters, Marilyn Ausdall, Norma Sikes, and Rose Findlen; two brothers; 24 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Monday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Vacile Harmon

Vacile Solomon Harmon, 90, died Dec. 6 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 2, 1907, to George and Katherine Harmon in Metz.

Survivors include two sons, Gall and Lowell; one daughter, Gloria; one sister; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Tuesday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

James Heflin

James Sherman Heflin, 72, Maryville, died Monday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Oct. 7, 1925, to Alva and Lucille Heflin in Graham.

Survivors include his wife, Hallie; two sons, Paul and David; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one sister; and four nephews.

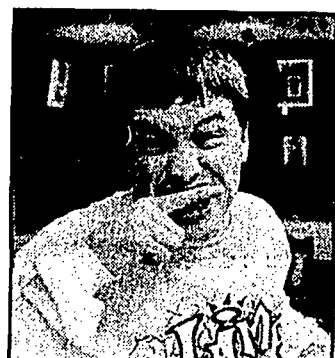
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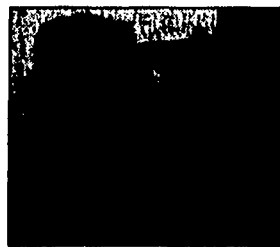
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Men squash Graceland

Dec. 10
Northwest: 107
Graceland: 75

by JP Farlis
Chief Reporter

After barking for no let-ups, head coach Steve Tappmeyer and the Bearcats jumped out to a 10-0 lead against Graceland College Wednesday night.

And they never let up. The Bearcats never trailed in the 107-75 win, avenging last year's, 75-70 loss. Because of pressure defense, they forced 27 turnovers to their 10.

"The big stat to look at is turnovers," Tappmeyer said. "When a team is pressing, and you're playing with a lead, only 10 turnovers (that's good). Last year we were up 16, and then we started turning the ball over and missing free throws. I just think this year we have a better team."

Although the defense looked good, Tappmeyer said, it was inconsistent.

"We caused a lot of turnovers, but then we give up too many easy shots," he said. "It's like feast or famine. Our defense has to be played all out. When our intensity drops off a little bit, we

would be better going to a zone."

Creating turnovers on the defensive end translated into the first time the Bearcats broke the century mark. Junior forward Matt Redd led a balanced attack with 19 points and eight rebounds. In his first start as a Bearcat, junior forward Levant Williams added 16 points and 11 rebounds.

The 'Cats ship off to the Bahamas Dec. 20. Their first opponent, Simon Fraser University was called one of the best teams they will play all year by senior guard Shakey Harrington.

The 'Cats will have 10 more days off like before the Graceland game.

"I hope (last game's play) is due to the 10 days off," Harrington said. "Hopefully we can run it up like that in the Bahamas. It's hot out there, so I hope we can heat up the scoreboard."

Dec. 10
Northwest: 55
Rockhurst: 76

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

After a 7-0 start, their best since 1990-91, injuries caught up with the

Bearcat women Wednesday night.

The matchup pitted the Bearcats against Rockhurst, a team they defeated by only three points earlier in the season.

But with key player Denise Sump, sophomore center, out with a stress fracture and senior guard Pam Cummings sick with the flu, victory eluded the 'Cats. The women fell to the Lady Hawks 76-55.

The Bearcat women were down 36-22 at the half and were not able to recover despite picking up 33 points in the second half.

Senior forward Annie Coy led the team in the game, scoring 16 points and pulling down seven boards, while sophomore center Linda Mattson contributed 10 points to the effort.

Winstead attributes the 'Cats' successful record to this point to balance.

"To this point we have been balanced," Winstead said. "All five starters have been able to score. Now we just need to start playing with a little more consistency. It doesn't matter what we do just as long as we do it well."

The women's next matchup is at 7:30 p.m. Saturday against Iowa Wesleyan in Bearcat Arena.



Junior guard Mike Morley (No. 20) goes up for a shot against Graceland College Wednesday night. Northwest won the game, 107-75.

Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Editor sends wish list to Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Each year the University sports editor for the *Missourian* sends a list of holiday requests to you. So I thought I would keep the tradition alive, as things have gone well in years past.

I've tried to be good, and I never ask you for much, but I've been storing up, so here's my tall order.

1) Can we please have some more fan support for the "lesser sports?" I mean really, football is not the only sport in the fall. There are volleyball and cross country, and those players need to be cheered on too. Not to take anything away from the football team, but both the men's and women's cross country teams went to the National meet. And the volleyball team is improving after this year's rebuilding season.

2) Local coverage of Bearcat sports on television. I mean none of the Kansas City channels listed the score of the Division II football playoffs until this last week, when the 'Cats weren't playing. Many Bearcat athletes are from the Kansas City area, but you wouldn't think that from the coverage. When we beat Pitt State, it didn't even make the news.

3) Why can't we have a varsity women's soccer team? They survived this year as a club sport. Couldn't you whisper to athletic director Jim Redd or put a message in his stocking that these women really want to play?

4) Talk to the people in charge of football scheduling and tell them that a game during Thanksgiving weekend is not a wise idea. Do they know how much fan support was lost for the 'Cats because of bad timing? Who knows, without Turkey Day we might have beaten Northern Colorado.

5) Help the basketball teams do well, and maybe even win the conference this year. Oh, don't let the men's team get too sunburned while it's in the Bahamas over winter break.

6) And last, let the women repeat their triple crown in cross country and track. A conference title for the men would be nice, too. And I hope it's not too early, but spring sports titles would be good.

I hope I haven't asked for too much. As for the milk and cookies, Mrs. Claus said you can't have them, but I hid them in my desk in the basement of Wells Hall. Don't tell anyone though.

Wendy
Wendy

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the *Northwest Missourian*.

Indoor track season starts at Iowa State meet



Junior Robby Lane runs in an outdoor track meet last spring. Lane and 51 other men are preparing to begin the indoor track season.

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

After two months of practicing outside, the track teams are heading indoors and preparing for their first meet of the season.

The women's team boasts 32 members including some freshmen who will add depth to the squad along with the several returners.

Head coach Bud Williams said the team will face a tough road in repeating last year's conference championship.

"Any time you return a majority of a championship team, there is the expectation to repeat," Williams said. "It will be difficult to repeat all of last year's accomplishments without hard work. No one will roll over and play dead just because we attend a meet."

While Williams was finishing the cross country season, assistant coach

Dan Davies worked with the team.

"We have had a successful and injury-free preseason," Davies said. "The incoming women will fill the holes from last year and give us some depth. If we don't have any injuries early, we are capable of doing as good, if not better, in conference, especially with the areas we've added."

Williams anticipates a successful season in which individual as well as team goals will be achieved.

Ten of the women will get a jump start on the season Friday by competing in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Men prepare for indoor season

The men's indoor track team has been practicing for nearly two months, working to improve its chances at a high conference finish.

The team has 52 members, which offers the team a lot of depth to add to the strong competitors who will

return for the 'Cats.

Head coach Rich Alsop said practice has gone well and he looks forward to having a good season.

"We have had a good fall and the men are in really good shape," Alsop said. "We have lots of people who could contribute and are looking forward to improving as a team and achieving our goal of being a presence in conference as a team."

Assistant coach Mitch Dosland said the team is looking good in practice, but it needs competition.

"We have good people in every event, and a lot of raw talent from the freshmen who've never been coached," Dosland said. "We just have to wait and see how they perform and see if they step it up; see how the team comes together when we start having meets."

Fourteen of the men will try to prove their ability Friday in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Athletic Shorts

Champions crowned in intramural sport

Another round of intramural events ended Nov. 20 as the volleyball champions were crowned.

The Delta Chi Nationals claimed the fraternity division championship by defeating the Sigma Phi Epsilon Crush.

The Nationals reached the finals after beating the Sig Ep Purple Helmets, while the Crush overpowered Sig Ep Eps Yours to reach the game.

In the sorority division, the Sigma Kappa Sphincter Kickers were crowned champions after they beat Sigma Black in the final game.

The Sphincter Kickers reached the finals after they defeated Phi Mu No. 1. Sigma Black toppled the Sigma

Kappa Snakey Ks to reach the final game.

After the volleyball championships, the final fall supremacy points were tallied. In the fraternity division, the Sig Eps came out on top, while Sigma Kappa took the top slot in the sorority division.

Supremacy Points			
Fraternity		Sorority	
Sig Ep	852	Sigma Kappa	551
Delta Chi	761	Alpha Sig	513
Phi Sig	565	Tri Sigma	458
TKE	405	Phi Mu	363
AKL	328	Delta Zeta	175
Delta Sig	200		
Kappa Sig	165		
Sig Tau	160		
Ag Rho	120		

Gridders, coach win awards after season

The Bearcat football season is over, but the awards keep piling up for the squad.

Junior quarterback Chris Greisen was named to the Burger King Division II Coaches' All-America Team by the American Football Coaches Association Wednesday. Greisen was named the first team quarterback on the team.

He threw for 2,456 yards and 23 touchdowns for the Bearcats.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma was named the Region 4 Coach of the Year by the AFCA for the second-straight year.

Even though the 'Cats dominated their opponents on the field, the Bear-

cats also hit the books hard. Sixteen were named to the MIAA all-academic squad as well.

The list included Bob Baker, Matt Becker, Greg Bonnett, Scott Courter, Devin Doll, Kraig Evans, Greisen, Nick Inzerello, Charlie Pugh, Cole Sidwell, Kurtis Stewart, Brian Sutton, Adam Teale, Chad Thompson, Wayland Vacek and Matt Voge.

Basketball team adds exhibition matchup

The men's basketball team scheduled an exhibition game with the Dreambuilders for 7 p.m., Jan. 2 in Bearcat Arena. The contest will be the 'Cats' first game after the Sunshine Shootout Dec. 20-23 in Nassau, Bahamas.

Cagers play games during winter break

While most Northwest students will be home for the holidays, the basketball teams will continue to play.

The women's team will play Iowa Wesleyan Saturday and the women of Quincy College Dec. 19. Both games will be played at home.

The men's first holiday matchup will be Dec. 20-23 at the Sunshine Shootout in Nassau, Bahamas.

The men and women travel to Missouri Rolla, Jan. 5 and Lincoln University, Jan. 7. They take on Southwest Baptist, Jan. 10 and Emporia State, Jan. 12 at home. The teams play at Truman State, Jan. 17 and Washburn, Jan. 21 at home.

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Wrestlers start season with dominant victory

Dec. 4
Maryville: 47
Maysville: 33

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The Spoofhounds unleashed a barrage of points at their first wrestling meet of the season against Maysville High School, winning 47-33.

"The team did pretty good, but we had a lot of personal mistakes," senior Chris Barmann said. "A lot of us are just getting back into duals, learning to listen better to coach and getting into better condition."

Despite some little mistakes, head coach Joe Drake was pleased with the team's overall performance considering how early it is in the season.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable," Drake said. "Now, we simply have to go back and make those corrections. This definitely tells us what direction we need to work in."

The 'Hounds got things going early with a pin by freshman Brandon Hull (103 lbs.), who looked very good in his first match, Drake said.

"I'm pretty proud of myself," Hull said. "I didn't get a big head, and I just went out there and did my best."

Senior Mark Anderson (119 lbs.) followed with a victory, but

senior Ryan Castillo (135 lbs.) suffered a loss.

"(Castillo) did not wrestle his type of match," Drake said. "He kind of let his opponent dictate what was going on, and it eventually cost him the match."

Maysville gained some ground from three consecutive pins on Spoofhound seniors Matt Herring (145 lbs.), Adam Chadwick (152 lbs.) and Barmann (171 lbs.).

Inexperience showed in Chadwick's match, while Barmann came out aggressively, only he tried to overpower his opponent rather than use technique to win, Drake said.

Drake said Herring got a good start, but made a major mistake by overextending himself. He then got caught and was pinned.

Drake was pleased with freshman Jesse Reed's match (189 lbs.), when he beat his opponent with a pin.

"Jesse came out aggressive," Drake said. "He really looked pretty good for a freshman wrestler."

The meet concluded when freshman Noah Bonde (215 lbs.) was pinned.

The 'Hounds also benefited from the fact Maysville was not able to fill four weight classes, which resulted in wins for juniors Justin Dredge (112 lbs.) and Jeremy Tobin (125 lbs.), freshman Herman Crumb (130 lbs.) and sophomore Jacob Stiens (160 lbs.).

Drake wanted to use the 'Hounds first meet as a tool.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable."

■ Joe Drake,
wrestling coach,
Maryville High School

"We were not as aggressive as I thought we should've been on our feet," Drake said. "We were shooting too far away, which got us into trouble a few times. A few other times, instead of using technique to finish things, we tried to power it and that got us in trouble. We've got to go back and use techniques to win."

The upperclassmen also hope to help the younger wrestlers develop the skills they need to succeed.

"We just need to tell them, 'Don't get intimidated,'" Barmann said. "We just need to let them know to listen to coach. He knows what are best moves are."

Even with four open weight classes, Drake said Maysville presented a challenge.

"They were very (good) with the people they had here," Drake said. "They did a very good job."

The 'Hounds will battle at 7 p.m. Thursday against Cameron at home.



Maryville senior Ryan Castillo prepares to battle Maysville junior Jerry McFee during last Thursday's match. The 'Hounds won the match 47-33.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Bench Warmer

Maryville coach deserves praise for milestone win

The scene has been replayed time and time again: A team has a bad year and the head coach gets the ax for it.

From what I have discovered in my brief one-and-a-half-year stint as a Maryville resident, not many of the high school coaches have anything to worry about — especially Mike Kuwitzky, the boys' basketball coach.

As far as Kuwitzky's players knew, the only thing special about last Tuesday night's game against Shenandoah, Iowa, was that it was a chance keep their record unblemished.

However, for their coach, it was a little bit sweeter than that. After his team walked off the court victorious, Kuwitzky told his players they had given him his 200th career win.

After having the pleasure of covering Kuwitzky's squad last season, I cannot think of anyone more deserving of this recognition.

Not only was Kuwitzky one of the nicest and most accommodating people I have ever met, he always had a smile and a conversation for an annoying freshman reporter.

When he took the head coaching job at Maryville 12 years ago, Kuwitzky would have probably been the last person to think he would someday win 200 games.

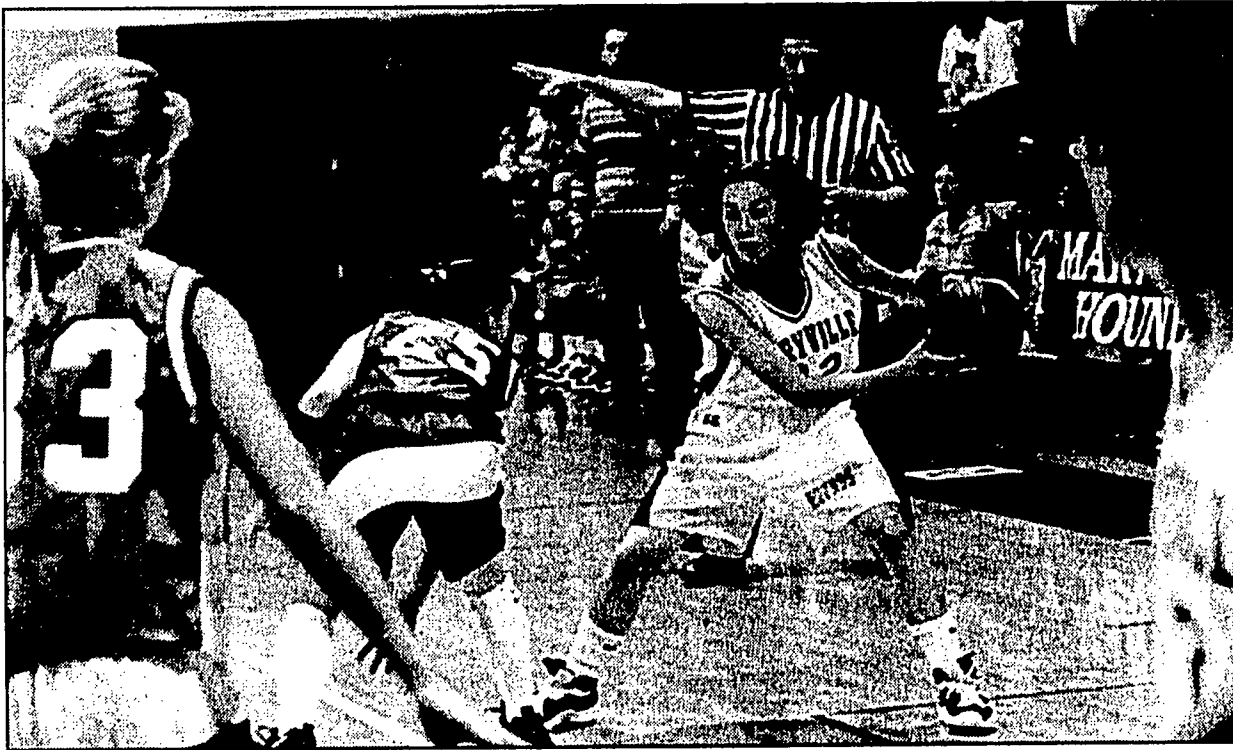
Oddly, that might be his best attribute. He does not coach for his record, he coaches because he enjoys it.

It is too bad there are not more people like him. If there were, a lot more high school athletes would have walked off the court just like his team did last Tuesday — smiling.



■ Scott Summers

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian



Senior guard Allison Jonagan dishes the ball inside to a teammate during Friday's 3-point win over Benton High

School. Maryville's next game will be Saturday when the team travels to Clarinda, Iowa.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

'Hounds end 10-year drought

Dec. 5
Maryville: 43
Benton: 40

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Snow prevented the Maryville Spoofhounds from battling the Lafayette Fighting Irish Tuesday.

Therefore, the girls' basketball team did not have a chance to improve their record against Lafayette, but earned a long-awaited win last

Friday against Benton High School, 43-40.

The Spoofhounds put an end to their 10-year losing streak against the Cardinals.

Junior forward Erin Hefflin led the team with 15 points and 12 rebounds. Senior guard Cynthia Prokes poured in 12 points, six assists and five steals.

After learning the team had lost 21-straight games against Benton before Friday, one player realized the significance of the squads' achievement.

"The score was really close the whole game, and we almost lost," junior guard Megan McLaughlin said. "The team was really excited to come out on top."

Senior guard Allison Jonagan said the win did more than just mark a tally on the chalkboard.

"There is still room for improvement, but it was a big win and it did a lot for our confidence," Jonagan said.

The 'Hounds next game will be at 7:45 p.m. Saturday at Clarinda (Iowa) High School.

Dec. 5
Maryville: 54
Savannah: 40

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Much to the dismay of the players, the weather forced the 'Hounds to take a day off this week.

The boys' basketball team was scheduled to play Clarinda (Iowa) High School Tuesday, but snow forced the game to be rescheduled.

"We all wanted to play, but the game was canceled, and there's not a lot we can do about that," senior forward John Otte said.

Kuwitzky and his players did not think the cancellation would have much of an effect on the team.

"It doesn't affect us that much," junior center Mike Nanninga said. "We just gotta get up and go at it again."

The 'Hounds improved their record to 3-0 Friday when they beat Savannah on their home court, 54-40.

"We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

■ Mike Kuwitzky,
boys' basketball coach
Maryville High School

"It went pretty well," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We're extremely happy to get a win on Savannah's floor."

The team thrived on defense again, holding the Savages to only four points in each of the first two quarters. Maryville went into half-time with a 22-8 lead.

"That was excellent for us, and we got off to a real good start," Kuwitzky said.

However, the team struggled offensively, Kuwitzky said. The 'Hounds shot 32 percent from the floor, and they were 1-for-14 on 3-pointers.

"We overcame that pretty good,"

Kuwitzky said. "We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

Maryville grabbed 32 rebounds, compared to Savannah's 15. Fifteen of Maryville's rebounds were offensive, which led to many opportunities at the charity stripe.

The 'Hounds made 19 of 30 free throw attempts, a statistic Kuwitzky said was an improvement from previous outings.

In the second half, the 'Hounds found themselves in a bit of trouble.

"They played us up a little," Kuwitzky said. "We weren't executing as well, and we let down on defense a bit."

After the Savages went on a small run, the 'Hounds broke away.

"We had three or four possessions that we just executed on beautifully," Kuwitzky said. "That was a real turning point in the game."

Senior forward Grant Sutton led the team in scoring with 15 points, while junior forward Tylor Hardy chipped in 13 points.

Maryville will resume play at 5 p.m. Friday against LeBlond High School at home.

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Surrounded by angels

by Jennifer Simler



The Christmas trees have gone up, colorful lights have brightened houses and angels have filled our hearts and homes — it's Christmas time.

Although Santa has usually been the desired figurine during this time of year, times and trends have changed. Angel figurines have become the demand.

They come in all shapes and sizes, from stamps to ornaments to elaborate figurines.

People of all ages are collecting and wearing angel paraphernalia. Some wear angel pins for religious reasons while others wear them because they were given to them by a significant person in their lives.

"I wear a pin almost everyday," said Susan Colt, child and family studies major. "It's a reminder, I guess, to live the kind of life I should."

Colt not only wears angel pins, but has an extensive collection of angels throughout her entire house. She places an angel in every single room of her family's house and has a glass showcase imbedded in one of the walls in her living room filled with angels.

Colt's angels have been gathered from everywhere in the world from shops like Hallmark to Christkindelsmarkt in Germany. Although her collection didn't start growing until about five years ago, she has angel earrings, an angel night light and even an angel mounted on the frame of her front door.

Her reason for collecting angels is not because of fads or current trends, although she said it does make angel paraphernalia easier to find. Colt said she collects angel because of her beliefs.

"I've just always been really religious," Colt said. "I really believe we all have guardian angels."

She believes that angels don't always come in the form of figurines.

"I think they appear in many different forms," Colt said. "I have had a couple of experiences when I felt like there were angels around with me. Also, when I start wondering about my children, I put it in God's hands and ask that he puts his angels around them to protect them."

Colt isn't alone in her experiences with angels. Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, is certain he has a guardian angel that is constantly watching over him.

"I know I have a guardian angel," Vanosdale said. "It's my granny. She watches over me and protects me. When I'm down and sad she's with me. She raised me to be a good, God-fearing Christian man and to treat people right and with respect. I can still feel her hugging me. I know she watches over me. It is the most comforting thing you'll ever feel."

There are many avid collectors and people who believe in angels around the world. *Life* magazine ran a special in the 1995 December issue dedicated solely to angels. The article included people who collect them as well as people who have had experiences with what they thought were angels.

Life discovered that "69 percent do believe in angels, with 32 percent saying they've felt an angel's presence."

Some of the stories in the article range from artist Andy Lakey who said "angels told him to paint 2,000 angel paintings by the year 2000, one for each year since Jesus' birth," he was on painting No. 1,403, to an angel collector from Beloit, Wis., who has more than 11,161 angel artifacts.

There are numerous places in Maryville and surrounding areas that angel collectors have turned to expand their collections.

The Angel Lady, a store in Independence located at 216 S. Spring St., caters solely to those in search of angel paraphernalia. There are more than 20,000 different kinds of angels from all over the world.

"It's not a new age angel store that sells crystals or where they believe they can contact their

angels," Carolyn Pratt, owner of The Angel Lady said. "It's a traditional angel store where I believe the angels touch you."

Pratt began collecting angels 37 years ago when her first child was born. This is when she and her husband decided they weren't going to decorate the house with Santa, but with angels because they brought "glad tidings of great joy."

She has traveled all over the world gathering angels for her store where the rule is — "it has to have wings on it to be sold."

By traveling and studying different angels, she learned that angels can only be found in cultures that have hope. Her example was in Cracow, Poland, where she recently returned from, that during World War II was a place that Germans executed Jews.

"Now, it is a beautiful city where angels are available in the marketplace," Pratt said. "I can tell there is hope there."

On the other hand, after visiting Russia and Germany, because of the country's current dismay, she was unable to find angels reaffirming her belief that angels represent hope.

Pratt said having the store keeps her on her best behavior. It also gives her a chance to offer her advice to customers as to what to look for in an angel they want to buy.

"I tell everyone not to buy an angel unless it winks at you," Pratt said. "Of course it's not going to wink, but you're going to be able to relate to one better than others. I like a different one everyday."

However, one doesn't have to go as far as Independence to find angels. Locally, Rod's Hallmark, the Watermelon Patch and Family Tree, to name a few, have an abundance of angels in many shapes and sizes to add to one's collection or to be a stocking stuffer.

The most popular angel being sold at Hallmark this season is the Seraphim Classic called "Monica Under Love's Wing." It is dedicated to the Sunshine Foundation, which grants wishes to critically ill children, and sends a child and their family on a dream vacation.

"People are aware of the piece," said Debbie Easterla, manager of Rod's Hallmark. "They come in and ask where the piece that its proceeds go to the Sunshine Foundation is."

Hallmark realizes the popularity of angel items and places them appropriately so they are easy to find.

"We always keep them right in the front of the door, so that right when you walk in the door that's the first thing you see," Easterla said.

Angels are female and this has not bothered people, but recently Easterla has had the request for a serious male angel figurines. Serious because the only male angel figurines seen in the past have all been humorous, like a bald, male angel dressed in a suit and sitting on a bench.

Angels aren't necessarily only found in figurines or pins. Vanosdale thinks some small children might soon think they have been visited by an angel.

More than 100 children will receive gifts from Northwest students for Christmas. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic, provided an "Angel Tree." Students received a child's name and something from their wish list to provide for them.

"I think it makes these kids feel very special," Vanosdale said. "They're going to get all these neat presents wrapped in pretty paper just for them. I don't know if they are going to think they're from an angel or Santa, but they're not going to expect the gifts. They're going to feel like they've been such a good little boy or girl."

The gifts are being collected Friday and will be taken to an agency that will distribute them to the children. The students will never know whom they are buying for, nor will the children ever know who gave the present to them.

"I just hope the students that are giving the gifts kind of feel like they're angels," Vanosdale said. "They are going to bring a lot of smiles and happiness on their faces and that's going to be priceless."

City, campus spread holiday spirit to warm season

by Russ Wetzel and Heather Butler
Missourian Staff

During the holidays, we give presents to the ones we love, but several local businesses and organizations are going beyond by brightening the season for the less fortunate of the community.

The Maryville Jaycees are selling Christmas trees for \$4 per foot with proceeds going to support the area's Toys For Tots campaign and the Nodaway County Food Pantry.

Jaycee Jim Wiederholt said the organization has already sold about 150 of its 250 trees. Any remaining trees will go to Community Services, which distributes them as needed.

In addition, the Jaycees are offering a Rent-a-Santa to travel to homes or businesses and bring a little holiday cheer. The cost is \$10 for a family visit and \$20 for a company visit. All of the proceeds go to help the Jaycees adopt a needy family over the holidays. Those wishing to help can call 562-2780.

The Jaycees adopt a family each year over the holidays that has had a difficult year, Wiederholt said.

"Last year we raised about \$220," he said. "We use the proceeds to buy food gift certificates for the families."

Wal-Mart is one of several businesses that lends a helping hand during the holiday season as well. Assistant manager Angela Schuler said they have several things going on this year.

"A percentage of sales from last Saturday went to support Toys For Tots," Schuler said. "We also have a barrel set up where people can donate toys."

The Red Cross, which supplies coats and clothing to needy families, has a tree set up at Wal-Mart. The organization has already assisted five area families that have been the victims of recent fires.

Another area group, the Salvation Army, also has an "Angel Tree" in place at the store. Patrons can pick an envelope from the tree that describes the needs of a particular child.



The Toys For Tots barrels and Red Cross Christmas tree stand at the front of the Maryville Wal-Mart store. Community members can donate

toys, clothing or other necessary items for area children that are in need. Several area businesses and organizations are helping the less fortunate.

Clothing sizes and toy preferences are included in the envelope.

"We are thrilled to help in any way to make our community better," Schuler said. "They give a lot to us and we want to give something back."

Three area food stores are also active in increasing the holiday spirit. Hy-Vee supports a wide range of church, civic, school and individual charities. Recently, the store presented \$2,500, a share of three days of sales, to the United Way.

Food-4-Less and Easter's Food Stores frequently have food "demos" with vendors offering samples throughout the stores. Proceeds from these sales go to aid charitable programs sponsored by area churches. Easter's has a barrel for Toys For Tots.

Food-4-Less allows its customers to contribute to the food industry's Crusade Against Hunger program. Customers can choose to add \$1, or \$3-\$5 to their grocery bill to help hunger nationwide.

Even smaller, personal businesses are helping others in need this year.

Watkins Hardware has been do-

ing to Christmas causes for 40 years. This year's support includes donations to St. Gregory's Catholic Church "Fun Fest" and the Toys For Tots campaign.

St. Francis Hospital is sponsoring a fund-raising campaign to help eliminate health care costs of those who are unable to afford care. St. Francis the mandate of "turn no one away" for more than 100 years. The hospital has covered \$200,000 in charitable aid this year.

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Santa shopping spree. Fifty-two businesses in Maryville are participating by offering drawings for Chamber bucks. Prizes range from \$350-\$500. Registration is free at participating businesses.

The need for community help is abundant and residents can help with the beautification of Maryville.

Maryville is asking for donations for Christmas lights for the courthouse. A slot for contributions is provided near the door.

Many area churches have a variety of charitable programs in place during this season.

The First Christian Church youth

group recently sponsored a food drive, and the church has a food pantry open for donations.

The First United Methodist Church Methodist Youth Foundation is making and delivering food baskets for 33 families. It also has a warmth tree where people within the community can donate gloves, coats, scarves and mittens. The items are distributed to area schools for students who need them. The church also has a group it calls the Posse that delivers balloons to shut-ins at local nursing homes.

The Laura Street Baptist Church adopted children to buy gifts for Christmas. Church members are also baking cookies for over 300 inmates at the Maryville Treatment Center during the holidays.

Not only does the community contribute to helping others, but Northwest students and organizations also play a role in the spreading of holiday cheer.

Northwest, like Wal-Mart, has also set up an Angel Tree to help the children of Nodaway County.

Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, introduced the idea of

having a tree on campus to Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils.

Those in charge of the tree contacted Human Services, which gave them the names of teens in the Nodaway County area who needed help this Christmas.

All presents are due Friday to the campus activities office located on the second floor of the Student Union.

The Baptist Student Union at Northwest is donating Aladdin money to less fortunate families in Nodaway County. They did the same at Thanksgiving and raised \$5,800 to help feed 81 families.

The Christian Campus House is participating in Northwest's Angel Tree and is buying presents for the families of the inmates at the Maryville Treatment Center. They are also helping bake cookies for the inmates.

Phi Eta Sigma, an honorary group on campus, is giving boots and gloves to the children at Eugene Field Elementary.

Although the chance to give takes only a little effort, it is sometimes hard to remember that many people could use help.

"I don't think people help as much as they could," said Erin Campbell, psychology and criminal justice major. "I haven't, even though there are so many opportunities to do so at church and on campus. To some people, it's an afterthought."

Many people believe helping others not only lifts the spirits of those they are helping, but their own as well.

"It makes you feel good about yourself," psychology major Julie Jacobs said. "It gives you a sense of pride to know you are doing something good that will benefit someone."

This year for Christmas, Maryville residents and Northwest students are encouraged to donate something to a local charity. It can be an old coat, some canned goods, leftover pocket change or maybe just time.

Holiday Events

With Christmas just around the corner, several area schools and churches are gearing up for the season with a wide variety of programs. Here is a list of just a few:

- Maryville R-II High School**
Dec. 13: All-district concert (all day)
- Dec. 22: 7 p.m. Christmas Concert, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center**
- Washington Middle School**
Dec. 18: 7 p.m. Music Program (Seventh and Eighth grade)
- Dec. 19: 2 p.m. Music Program (Fifth and Sixth grade)**
- Horace Mann**
Dec. 16: 7 p.m. Christmas Program
- First Christian Church**
Dec. 14: Children's Program
Dec. 21: Christmas Cantata
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Service
- First Presbyterian Church**
Dec. 14: 10:30 a.m. Christmas Program
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- First Baptist Church**
Dec. 14: 10:45 a.m. Worship Choir Cantata
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion Service
- First Methodist Church**
Dec. 17: 6:30 p.m. Las Posadas
Dec. 24: 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 11 p.m. Communion Service
- Laura Street Baptist Church**
Dec. 13-14: 7 p.m. "The Perfect Christmas"
- Dec. 24: 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Candlelight Service**
- Ravenwood Christian Church**
Dec. 20-21: 6:30 p.m. Musical Santa at Franklin Park
Dec. 12, 13, 18, 19, 20: 6-8 p.m.



The Stroller

Learning how to survive at college



The Stroller

Your Man gives advice about making educational years worthwhile

This is my last article of the year. Let me tell you how happy I am that I don't have to rack my brain every week thinking of ways to offend everyone.

I am finishing up the college chapter of my book of life, and in doing so I would like to leave everyone with some closing advice to make their life at Northwest as fun and as productive as mine.

■ **Public Safety** — Don't run from them or throw your beer, especially at the cop, when they see you. They are smart and know that if you drop your beer it is probably because you are not 21.

■ **Cliff notes** are sometimes better than reading the book. Don't let your teachers tell you any different.

■ **Laundry** — It stinks, so find some poor sucker to do it for you, or get a girlfriend to do it.

■ **Don't drink the water.**

■ **If you came to find your future husband or wife at Northwest**, check admissions about transferring.

■ **Don't tell people how good at sports or cool you were in high school.** The people you know will most likely meet someone from your hometown that would love to tell them different.

■ **Keep in touch with old high school friends**, so they don't tell people you were a dork.

■ **Don't piss any sorority girls off** — if one hates you, all of them hate you.

■ **Take an extra pair of shoes and don't hang on the rims at the Rec Center.**

■ **Charge as much crap to your parents at the bookstore as you can while they will pay for the stuff.**

■ **Write at least one offensive article for the *Missourian***, it's funny to hear people talk bad about you.

■ **Write the cable company and tell them their service sucks.**

■ **Buy your condoms at the front desks of the dorms**, it's a lot cheaper.

■ **Don't re-insert a parking ticket on your windshield** so you can park illegally again, it's just plain dishonest. Also it doesn't work — I've tried it.

■ **Be nice to everyone you encounter.**

They may eventually work at the place that you want a job.

■ **The refund you get at the beginning of each semester is not beer money.**

■ **Alcohol doesn't make you sleep better**, and it doesn't make other people more attractive.

■ **If the Health Center tells you that you have mono or AIDS**, get a second opinion.

■ **If you have a computer in your dorm room**, stay the hell away from the ones in the library.

■ **Make fun of Missouri Western all the time.** That school really sucks.

■ **If you buy a sweatshirt**, make sure that it is reversible so you can wear it two days in a row.

■ **The next time you are confronted by someone to fill out something for a credit card**, tell them that they are the reason your parents split up. They won't bother you again.

■ **The average landlords' I.Q. in Maryville is comparable to that of a small child**, but at least children are honest and can read a lease.

■ **Never bounce a check at the bar or at the University.** The bar will post your name for everyone to see and the University won't tell you that it bounced and will keep sending it back to the bank until it clears, charging you for every time they send it back.

■ **Make fun of anyone wearing high school letter jackets**; it's funny.

■ **Get a job on campus.** A letter of recommendation from someone on campus is a lot better than one from the shift manager at a fast food restaurant.

■ **The only way to graduate in four years is to keep your academic catalog and learn how to read a degree audit.** Most professors don't even know how.

■ **I'd like to thank everyone for a great year and if I offended anyone I would like to say — Good.**

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Diva's delight
5. Pulse
10. Oriental prince
13. "Quicker — you can say Jack Robinson"
14. Overgrown
15. River boat
16. Verdi opera
17. Church official
18. Scorch
19. Judge Bean
20. ___ up (enlivens)
21. "___ beloved..."

DOWN

23. Proton donors
25. Oriental sash
26. Yearly record
28. Benefit
31. Diocese
34. Part of a Spanish family tree
35. Zeniths
36. Malay coin
37. Ending for kitchen or major
38. Weigh heavily upon
39. Mixture of smoke and fog
40. Certain degree
41. Vaulted
42. Shovel
43. Hair coloring
44. What a muscle shirt exposes
45. Part of a boilermaker
46. Riviera acquisition
48. French white wine word
49. Labor walkout

Answers to last issue's puzzle

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11. Objective
12. Wrong
15. Hoffa enemy
20. Jumble
22. Seeming eternities
24. Show concern
26. Modify
27. Smartly dressed
28. Traffic sounds
29. Malt kiln
30. Gives the nod
32. Corrode
33. Avid
35. Bristol buggy
38. ___ annum
39. Spread

41. Long and thin
42. Pygmalion playwright
45. Grips
47. Nurse's
48. Sap
49. Paris-to-NYC jets
50. Biblical pronoun
51. Drop acid?
52. English money (abbr.)
54. Anderson of "WKRP"
55. ___ meet
58. Smelted material
59. Big Bird's network

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Dec. 11-Jan. 1 — "Little House Christmas," Coterie Theatre.
Dec. 11-24 — "Nutcracker," Midland Theatre.
Dec. 13 — Koko Taylor, The Hurricane.
Dec. 15 — Amy Grant, Kemper Arena.
Dec. 16 — Bow Wow Wow, The Hurricane.



Area Events

Omaha

Dec. 13 — Seven Mary Three, Ranch Bowl.
Dec. 16 — Wallflowers, AKSaben Coliseum.
Dec. 16 — Jim Brickman, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Dec. 17 — Lorie Line, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Jan. 6 — Harlem Globetrotters, AKSaben Coliseum.



Des Moines

Dec. 11 — Corey Stevens, SuperToad.
Dec. 14 — Handels Messiah, Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 16 — "Nutcracker on Ice," Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 18 — Micheal Peterson, SuperToad.
Dec. 31 — New Years Eve Gala, Des Moines Civic Center.

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Thank you notes don't have to be chore for kids

(NAPS) — Surveys show that most kids get more than 20 gifts for Christmas but write fewer than three thank-you notes. Etiquette expert Peggy Post has tips to get children in the "thank-you" note habit.

"Make it part of the fun," said Post, great-granddaughter-in-law of the etiquette expert Emily Post and author of *Emily Post's Etiquette: 75th Anniversary Edition* by Peggy Post, "Include fun stationery and pretty pens in their stockings."

Sports-themed paper or a special pen are

best bets.

Post adds, "Show kids how great it feels to receive a thank-you note by mailing them one — complete with stamp and postmark — for the gifts they gave to you."

Other suggestions: Letting kids choose special photos to include in the letters and allowing the littlest ones to paint or draw as well as write their thank yous.

"And don't overwhelm them — one note every few days is about as much as most kids can handle," she added.

Winter Wonderland



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Maryville High School students spread hay among the nativity scene displayed at Franklin Park, corner of Main and Seventh streets. The nativity was built by the industrial arts class at the high

school. Santa's Maryville house is also located in Franklin Park. Santa will be visiting with children at his house Friday, Dec. 5, from 6 - 8 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 6, from 4 - 8 p.m.

A lump of coal and a bundle of switches

That's what you might end up with if you don't shop your local retailers this Christmas.

Shopping in Maryville this Christmas makes more sense than ever. Our local merchants are more competitive, offer better service and a world of unique merchandise that you can't find in those crowded city malls. Try shopping your local merchants first this holiday season. There really is something to be said about hometown service.

Family gifts make holiday shopping go farther, faster

(NAPS)—If the idea of finding time to shop for everyone on your list is beginning to make you shiver, you might want to consider following a new trend: a gift for the whole family.

Looking for ideas for family gifts? Here are just a few to contemplate:

- Has your family always wanted to hike in the Rockies, visit Disney World or tour the Big Apple? Combine your holiday and vacation budgets, and take your dream vacation this year. Give the kids their tickets for Christmas.

- Home computers have never been less expensive or more invaluable. The hardest part is deciding which system. You might check the classifieds to see if someone is selling the system you want used. If your budget allows, give the computer to the family, and give each family member a small piece of software.

- One way to make vacations more affordable is by roughing it. You can get a lifetime setup of a tent and sleeping bags for the whole family for less than it would cost for a weekend at a hotel.

- Jump-start everyone's brains by in-

vesting in a set of encyclopedias. You'll finally be able to answer all your kids' questions (like "how does television work?") your kids will get ahead in school and you'll all have a resource to turn to for years to come.

Experts recommend *The World Book Encyclopedia* for families with school-age children because of its accuracy, up-to-date information and readability.

- Help the whole family keep fit by buying equipment for a home gym. Surprise them by having it all set up, out of sight, Christmas morning. Give sweats, leotards or sweatbands as individual gifts.

There is one family gift that experts believe you shouldn't indulge in — namely, a new pet.

Animal shelters are crowded in January with "surprise" pets that didn't work out.

Pets should only come into a home where everyone is aware, ahead of time, of the lifelong responsibility and is prepared to meet all the long-term obligations associated with a pet, from veterinary care to daily routines.

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Christmas bells include ring of cash register, helpful purchasing tips

Holiday safety

Vinyl Christmas trees are safer

(NAPS)—For many, the bells of Christmas include the ring of the cash register. If you plan to purchase an electronic product for a family member, friend or yourself, it may pay to heed these helpful hints from the Service & Parts Group of Sharp Electronics Corporation:

- Always keep your bill of sale as "proof of purchase." When you purchase a product, your sales receipt is the proof of how, when and where the sales transaction took place. Remember to hold onto it. Without the receipt, it will be very difficult to get a product fixed or replaced under warranty.

- If you are giving the product as a gift, pass along a copy of the receipt to the recipient so he or she can get the necessary coverage on a product if a problem develops.

- Selecting extended warranty coverage. Before buying, ask what the warranty includes and how long the warranty lasts. Does the warranty cover whole product or just parts? When the product is serviced, will I have to pay labor costs? How does the extended warranty relate to the original warranty provided by the manufacturer?

Another issue to keep in mind is who honors the warranty. Some products must be returned directly to the manufacturer for service, while others must be brought to a local authorized servicer.

A non-authorized local service store may be able to fix the particular product, but if they are not authorized by the manufacturer, they may not have access to the manufacturer's technical assistance, training and service manuals. This could lead to further problems.

(NAPS) — Festive holiday decorations, complete with a Christmas tree and greenery, help create the joyful atmosphere surrounding the Christmas holidays. But they can also pose a safety risk.

Every year, about 500 residential fires are started when Christmas trees ignite, causing roughly 25 deaths and more than \$20 million in property damage according to the National Fire Protection Association. One way to reduce the risk of holiday fires is to purchase a flame-retardant, artificial Christmas tree and greenery made of vinyl.

Because of vinyl's unique chemical makeup, it resists ignition and flame spread, helping to prevent or contain what could become a devastating fire.

That flame retardancy remains consistent throughout the tree's 15 to 30 year life span, while the fire hazards of displaying a natural

tree increase dramatically in just a few weeks as its needles become dry and brittle.

"Vinyl Christmas trees offer the same beauty as natural trees while protecting families from a potential fire hazard," said Robert Burnett, executive director of the Vinyl Institute. "During the holiday season, when most parents are pretty harried, it's one less thing to worry about."

Artificial trees are also the economic choice, costing less than \$100 and lasting up to 20 years. That's an investment of just \$5 a year, as compared to \$30 to \$40 to purchase a natural tree annually. And today's artificial Christmas tree is made to look just like a natural tree.

"Ten years ago, the industry was revolutionized by a change in the manufacturing of artificial trees," said Claus Beckroge of General Foam Plastics Corporation, a

manufacturer of artificial trees, wreaths and garlands in Norfolk, Va. "Artificial trees used to look very artificial whereas now they are very life-like."

A vinyl artificial tree never requires watering or disposal, and there are no bothersome needles to vacuum.

Vinyl Christmas trees save resources, too. About 30 million pounds of recycled vinyl go into making the trees and other greenery each year.

"The manufacture of vinyl trees plays a large role in sustaining markets for recycled vinyl," said Burnett. "And quite a bit of that recycled material is post-consumer, coming directly from curbside recycling programs."

As the holiday season approaches, play-it safe by allowing only flame-retardant, easy-to-maintain and environmentally friendly vinyl greenery into your family's home.

Handling holiday hassles effectively

(NAPS) — Want to make your Yuletide more merry? Here's how to handle those holiday hassles:

- Shopping early really is a good idea if you want to beat long lines and get personal attention from salespeople who are likely to be less harried now than a few days before Christmas. Check out the ads in local newspapers to see where the bargains are.

- Buy stamps in bulk for Christmas cards; mail cards and out-of-town-bound gifts early.

- Holiday parties will go easier if you prepare much of your meal ahead of time and refrigerate.

Then just heat up the food shortly before guests arrive, so you can spend more time with them and less time in the kitchen.

- A bright idea: Make sure your Christmas tree lights and other holiday ornaments are in good, safe, working order before you begin trimming — and while there's still time to find replacements if necessary.

Carriage Rides

The Heart of the City is sponsoring carriage rides in Maryville.

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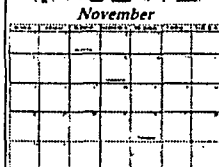
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Western store offers quality, convenience

by Erica Smith
Advertising Director

D & S Western not only offers high quality boots and western apparel, but convenience as well to Maryville residents as well, especially during the holiday season.

"We have many first quality men's, women's and children's boots reduced up to 70 percent," said Susan Gater, owner of D & S Western. "We also have new lines such as Force Ten ladies' purses, Abilene men's and ladies' boots and Bailey crushable felt hats."

D & S also features Tribal Traditions, a locally made gift line.

Gater said D & S offers benefits that larger discount stores cannot.

"As discount stores get larger and larger, it's the small store that can offer real service to our customers," Gater said. "We believe in helping the customer — offering suggestions, helping find the best fit and knowing about the product we're selling."

Gater said they are always willing to help their customers find products, even those they do not have available.

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Holiday Hours begin Dec. 8.
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 21 open 1 - 5 p.m.

"We take time with every single customer," she said.

D & S is located at 110 E. Third St., on the east side of the square in Maryville. They are open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Currently, Thursdays they are open until 8 p.m., but as of Dec. 8, D & S will be open until 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. Sunday, Dec. 21, they will be open from 1 to 5 p.m.

D & S Western is a member of Heart of the City and the Chamber of Commerce.

Store deals with more than books

■ **Local bookstore** binds community with story hour, poetry readings, field trips

by Erica Smith
Advertising Director

The Bookstop offers a unique twist to a typical bookstore.

"We are community minded," said Sara Lee Hinckley, co-owner of The Bookstop. "We often conduct tours and story hours for school field trips. We enjoy having other events as well in our store, such as poetry readings, an Irish tea, author signings and story hours in the summer."

The Bookstop has a wide variety of books as well as teacher supplies.

"(Our selection) is an unusual mix for a bookstore," Hinckley said.

The Bookstop had an open house Nov. 23 to promote their Christmas books and 1998 calendars.

The Bookstop
220 N. Market St.
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The Bookstop, owned by Hinckley and Lynn Felton, is located at 220 N. Market St. in Maryville. They are Heart of the City and Chamber of Commerce members.

The Bookstop is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The store is open until 8 p.m. Thursdays. Store hours for Saturday are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and for Sunday are 1 to 4 p.m. Starting Dec. 15 The Bookstop will be open until 8 p.m. Monday through Friday until Christmas.



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Chamber sponsors Santa's Shopping Spree

■ **First 4 Santa certificate winners announced Monday; 12 more will win by Christmas**

The first four winners in the Maryville Chamber of Commerce Santa's Shopping Spree were announced last Monday.

Jenny Forney, Hopkins; Joyce Nicholas, Pickering; Irma Collins, Maryville; and Mrs. Roy Mincy, Maryville; won gift certificates from local merchants.

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is encouraging shoppers to shop at home with their Christmas promotion Santa's Shop-

ping Spree.

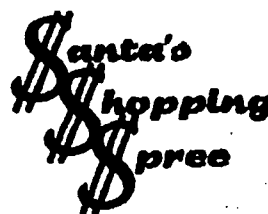
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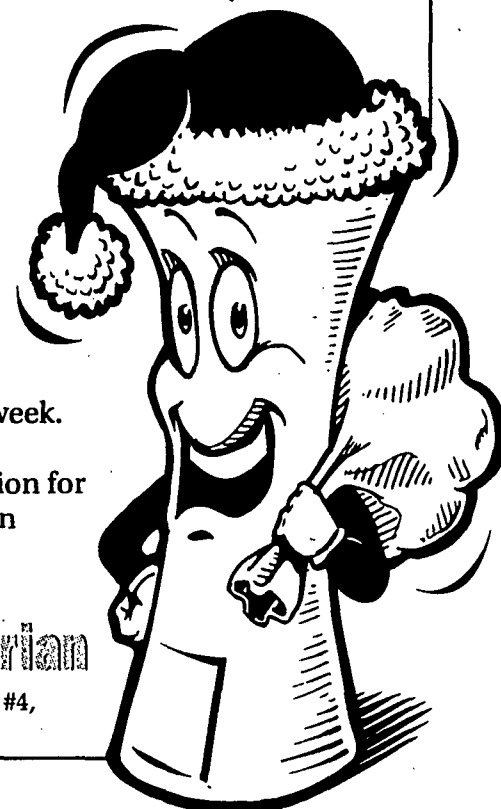
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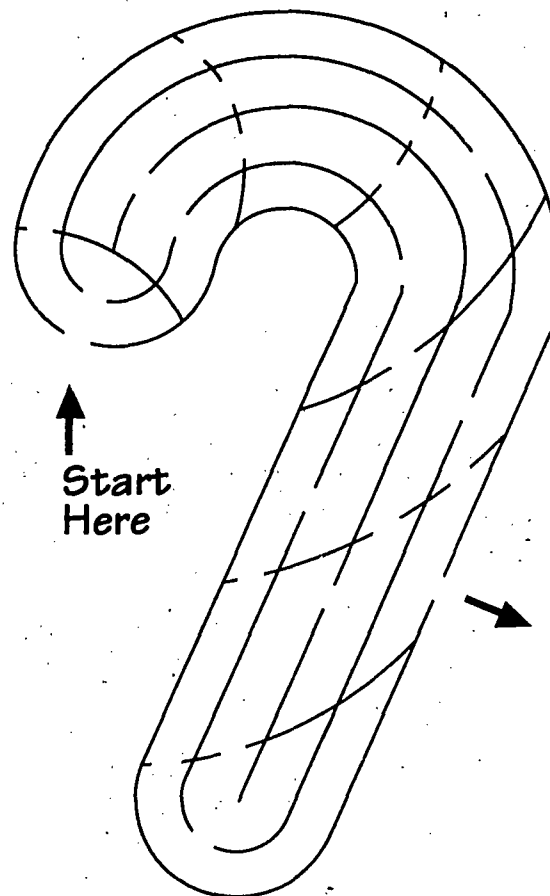
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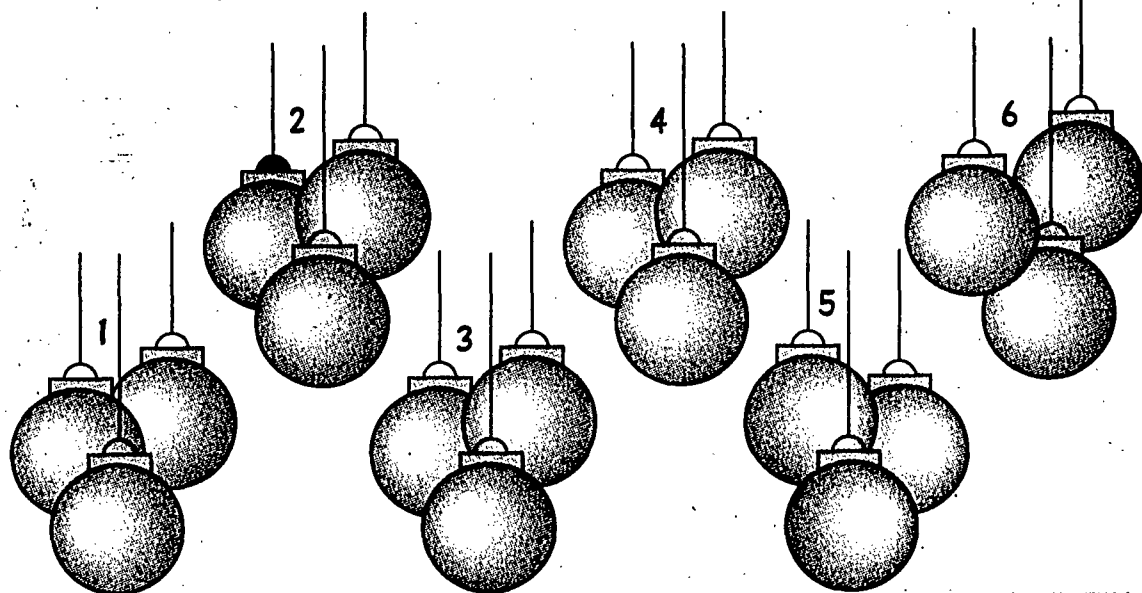
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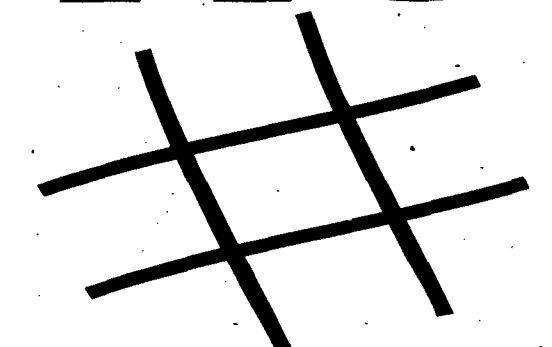
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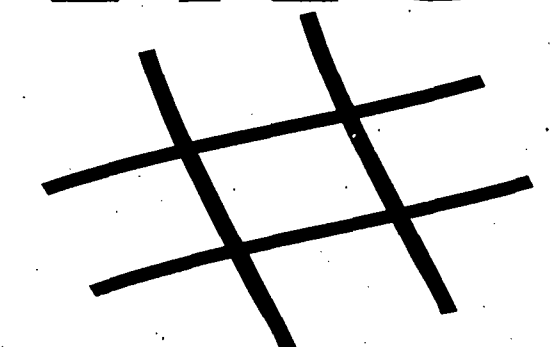


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Senate selects Regents finalists

Ground breaking

Quick reader.
A fast grasp on the situation.
Who was selected?
Sophomores Jonathan Baker, Karen Barmann and Mina Ewing.
Who will make the final decision?
Gov. Mel Carnahan, after interviewing the candidates Saturday.

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The finalists for the University Student Regent position have been narrowed down to three.

Sophomores Jonathan Baker, Karen Barmann and Mina Ewing have been named as finalists to possibly serve on the University Board of Regents.

The appointment of the Student Regent position will be made by Gov. Mel Carnahan, after interviews, Saturday.

The Student Regent is an active member of the Board of Regents and is an advocate for the students. This person also helps the Board to understand decisions students want for the campus.

The governor has set qualifications for the position. The applicant must have two

full years remaining at their respective institution, must be registered to vote and a resident of Missouri.

The finalists were narrowed down from six applicants after they were interviewed by a committee including Angel Harris-Lewis, Student Senate president, and several other faculty members.

After the finalists were decided, Senate informed the governor's office.

The committee's decisions were based on a variety of areas, such as leadership involvement and citizenship, Harris-Lewis said.

She also said they not only thought about the knowledge of the applicants and their answers to various questions, but also how they were dressed, their communication skills, their grade point aver-

age and the amount of eye contact that was made.

"We were looking for people that wouldn't be intimidated," Harris-Lewis said. "We wanted outgoing people that could go out and get as many opinions as they can."

Everyone who submitted an application was eligible for an interview, Harris-Lewis said.

The finalists said they applied for the position to have a better influence on the decisions made by the Board.

"I really want to become more involved in the campus," Baker said. "I'm familiar with the campus and I feel I could actually give some good sugges-

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Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

The Maryville School Board and community members help to break ground Saturday at the site of the new Maryville middle school.

School district plans for future

Construction projects represent beginning of school bond's effect

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Gold-plated shovels were brought out and a bulldozer is at the site of the new middle school as the educational dreams of the community are coming true.

Almost 135 people gathered in frigid weather Sunday as the Maryville R-II School District took a giant step into the future when they broke ground on three new projects.

"Obviously, by the turnout we had, it was a great day," Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent said. "Our (high school) band is playing at the Chiefs game, (and) the Chiefs are on TV, but we still had a tremendous turnout. We just had to do it today and get on our way. The people are very excited about it."

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■ Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent

The ground breaking ceremonies, which took place at each of the three building sites, began with Bell and Bob Martin, School Board president, recognizing the Board, the community and others for their support of the project.

"We feel that we have made giant steps to the future of our young people's school today and those many who will follow after them," Bell said. "We're very appreciative that the Board and the administration has consented to allow us to go ahead with these projects."

Martin showed his gratitude for the efforts of those who gave up their time for the project.

"On behalf of the Board, we'd like to commend everybody for their hard work," Martin said. "As we stand here now, it doesn't seem like too long ago we got started on this."

Teachers, students, Board members and residents were among the people present at the ground breaking ceremonies.

"This was the most exciting day in education I've had," said Keith

Nowland, Washington Middle School principal. "The staff has worked so long and hard with the community to get this issue passed. It's going to be the educational opportunities for the students, and the staff and the community for generations to come."

Three students, one from each of the three schools included in the project, also participated in the ceremonies.

"I thought (the ground breaking) was neat," said Clint

Lawyer, a fourth-grader at Eugene Field Elementary School. "I think it will be a neat school for all of us to go to."

Although the district broke ground, the Board realizes that much work still lies ahead.

"It's very exciting to see all the planning come forth into three projects and get started," Board member James Redd said. "It's just the start of a lot of new opportunities and new work, too. It's one thing to get moving, but then all the details

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Members of Northwest Celebration rehearse Tuesday for the Yuletide Feaste. The performance will run Thursday through Sunday beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Jennie Nelson/
Missourian Staff

Yuletide Feaste

Singers continue holiday tradition

by Nathaniel Hanway
Missourian Staff

Imagine going back to the Renaissance period — full of elaborate medieval dinners, music and festive holiday spirit.

The Yuletide Feaste, sponsored by the Northwest Madralier Singers, has been a University tradition for 24 years. Like past performances, the Feaste will transform the Union Ballroom into a replica of an ancient Renaissance hall.

"When the guests walk in, they will walk over a moat and drawbridge," said Richard Weymuth, Yuletide Feaste director. "They will walk under a spiked gate and into

the hall where the actors will be performing."

Just as in medieval times, there are many customs and traditions that are passed down year to year. For Jerry Nevins, who is in his fourth year in the show, the privilege of writing the script has been passed down to him.

"Writing the script is a lot of fun; I just wrote the framework, and that is where the creative process begins with everyone in the cast," Nevins said. "I also wrote it last year, and it's passed down from year to year to someone in the cast."

Along with the atmosphere and food, several members of Northwest's music department will

showcase their talents.

"Celebration will be singing Christmas music and a Recorder Consort will be performing music from the time," Weymuth said. "The Brass Quintet will also perform."

In previous years, the event has sold out and this year is no different. Saturday's showcase is already sold out.

Part of the show's success is the affordability, Weymuth said.

"We have always tried to make the Feaste affordable to the college students," Weymuth said. "At the big colleges like (University of Missouri-Columbia), they cost \$50 a person."

The Feaste generates an enjoyable environment for the guests, and for the performers as well.

"It's a lot of fun, but it is a lot of hard work and dedication," Celebration member Eric Woodward said. "This is my third year being in the Yuletide Feaste, and it leaves us with a good feeling of the yuletide season."

The Feaste is not only performed on campus, but the group also travels to different schools all over the northwest Missouri area.

The Feaste will begin tonight at 6:30 p.m. and continue through Saturday in the Union Ballroom.

Tickets are \$14 for students and \$17 for non-Northwest students.

CANCER DIAGNOSIS CHANGES LIFE

Coroner fights battle from within



Community offers support after rare cancer attacks

by Lindsey Corey
Community News Editor

When Dennis Martin thought about dying, he always imagined something heroic.

He pictured a terrifying event. A home engulfed in a blazing inferno with the smell of smoke becoming almost unbearable — flames everywhere. All that could be heard were the screams of a frantic mother and shrill sirens.

"I always figured I'd get killed on some scene," said the volunteer firefighter of 18 years.

Instead, Martin is battling a fire from within — cancer.

Even though Martin has been diagnosed with stage four esophageal carcinoma, they "haven't taken away my gear yet."

Dying in the line of duty "could still happen," Martin said. "People hear 'cancer' and think it's all over. I can't assume life is over because I've been diagnosed with cancer."

There are no early detection tests used to screen the general public for cancer of the esophagus. In most cases, the cancer is discovered because of the symptoms it causes, according to the American Cancer Society. Diagnosis of patients without symptoms is rare and usually accidental. Unfortunately, most esophageal cancers do not cause symptoms until they have advanced to a stage at which a cure is unlikely.

That was the case with Martin.

His cancer was not discovered until it had progressed to stage four — the disease's final stage.

"You hear about how chemotherapy increases the odds of surviving," Martin said. "But this doesn't have a survival factor. There ain't no five years later."

Martin was experiencing difficulties eating in August. This was the first indication that there may be a tumor in his esophagus. The tumor disguised itself as a gastroesophageal reflux, a much less serious condition. Doctors treated the symptoms of the reflux for about a month, but nothing happened.

The next step was to do an endoscopic examination. Doctors looked inside the esophagus through a flexible, lighted tube and ran tests on the tumor around the end of September. Much to the Martin's relief, the biopsy results came back benign.

But the relief was only temporary. Martin was diagnosed with cancer Oct. 6. The tumor was not only malignant, but it had spread.

As the cancer progressed, Martin had found it more and more difficult to do simple, every day tasks that he used to take for granted.

"Just going up a flight of stairs is a day's work," he said.

There isn't an element of Martin's life the disease has left untouched.

"Its impact is that it makes me not the same person," he said. "I'm a reader. It used to be unheard of for me not to get through an 800-page novel in three days."

Now, about all he can finish is a few of the cards he receives. The various medications he is prescribed affect his concentration.

Martin has had to stop his job performing housing inspections at Community Services, Inc. He was working on a high-tech weatherization project when he became ill.

"I hate not being able to work," he said. "I'd like to get up enough strength to go in and build a (weatherization) model."

Another of Martin's duties is serving as the



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Dennis Martin (right) sits with the Rev. Charles Tobin of St. Gregory's Catholic Church. Martin has been the Maryville Coroner since last November's election. He has also been a volunteer firefighter for the city.

Nodaway County coroner, which he was appointed to last year.

"I don't want to leave the Governor out on a limb," he said. "It's taken care of, though. I have a good deputy, Tom Scarborough."

Another void in his life is the fire department because he volunteered there for many years.

"Man, I loved that," he said. "We have one of the better fire departments in the Midwest. They're good. I'm really proud of them."

Martin had to be fed through a tube for two

months. Since then, his doctors have not restricted his diet, but the cancer and medications have.

"If it'll hold still and I can get it in me, it's on my diet," Martin said. "I also look for flavor to get past the medication. It's amazing how important eating is."

Martin feels lucky to have most of his immediate family live in town.

His oldest son and daughter-in-law recently

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Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Celebration' forgets academics in praise

Gov. Mel Carnahan visited Northwest last week, but if you blinked on Tuesday, you would have missed it.

Those who managed to attend, however, noticed something else missing: praise for academics.

During the gathering to celebrate Northwest's receiving the 1997 Missouri Quality Award, Carnahan, along with University President Dean Hubbard, expelled considerable breath to congratulate Northwest for its advances in quality (naturally), renovations (who could miss them?) and technology.

Perhaps it was the short time frame for the celebration that caused the speakers to forget to include the University's fine academic departments in their verbiage. But really, that's no excuse. We may have won the Quality Award for our forward-thinking ideas, but what makes Northwest great is the quality of its academic departments.

However, the "celebration" seemed to say Northwest can be proud of two things: our winning athletic teams and the actions of administrators.

Granted, one of the most exciting parts of Northwest recently has been our teams — football and cross country in particular brought us a lot of pride. However, during Tuesday's mini-celebration, it was easy to forget why we're here: academics.

A brief rundown of some programs will show what they missed:

■ **Accounting:** This department has produced a stellar lineup of graduates who have gone on to high-ranking positions at big U.S. companies.

■ **Agriculture:** It's no secret that farming is a way of life in this part of the country, and our agriculture department is producing graduates who are ready to take their role in — and meet the demands of — this field.

■ **Computer Science/Information Systems:** Carnahan praised the Electronic Campus, but what about the department that is using that electronic campus to its fullest potential?

■ **Curriculum and Instruction:** At Horace Mann Lab School, college students receive real-world training that cannot be duplicated, and the elementary school children receive a great education.

■ **Geography/Geology:** In 1990, it was named the No. 2 program in the nation by a group of independent researchers.

■ **Music:** One of the most vocal — literally — departments is also one of the best recruiters.

■ **Mass Communication:** Every aspect of this department excels in its field: The print media continue to win national recognition and awards, and broadcasting organizations do as well.

Perhaps if the celebration had not been two days after Thanksgiving vacation, everyone involved would have had more time to prepare.

We're not trying to be sourpusses about the celebration; it was nice to try to give everyone an opportunity to be excited about this honor that Northwest has received. But this celebration left a sour taste in the mouths of many people at Northwest, and in the future, administrators need to understand that there is more to Northwest than athletics and orange fences.



Our View

OF THE COMMUNITY

Don't be a Scrooge; help others during the holidays

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, but not necessarily for everyone.

There are many less fortunate people in this area who may not be as excited for the coming of Christmas. It is the duty of everyone else to make sure their Christmas is just as wonderful.

Many local individuals and organizations are already making an extra effort to spread the Holiday cheer. We want to commend these people and the unselfishness of their deeds.

The Angel Tree serves as a reminder that there are children in Nodaway County. Without the help from others, they would not be smiling Christmas morning.

There is an abundance of groups willing to help in Maryville as well.

Wal-Mart is donating a percentage of its sales to Toys for Tots. It also has a tree, similar to the Angel Tree sponsored by the Red Cross which is sending coats and clothing to families in need.

The proceeds from the Maryville Jaycees' Christmas trees will help support local Toys for Tots and the Nodaway County Food Pantry. The Jaycees are also sponsoring a Rent-a-Santa with proceeds going to the family they have adopted.

Local grocery stores such as Food 4 Less and Easter's Foods also are helping charities by hosting "demonstrations."

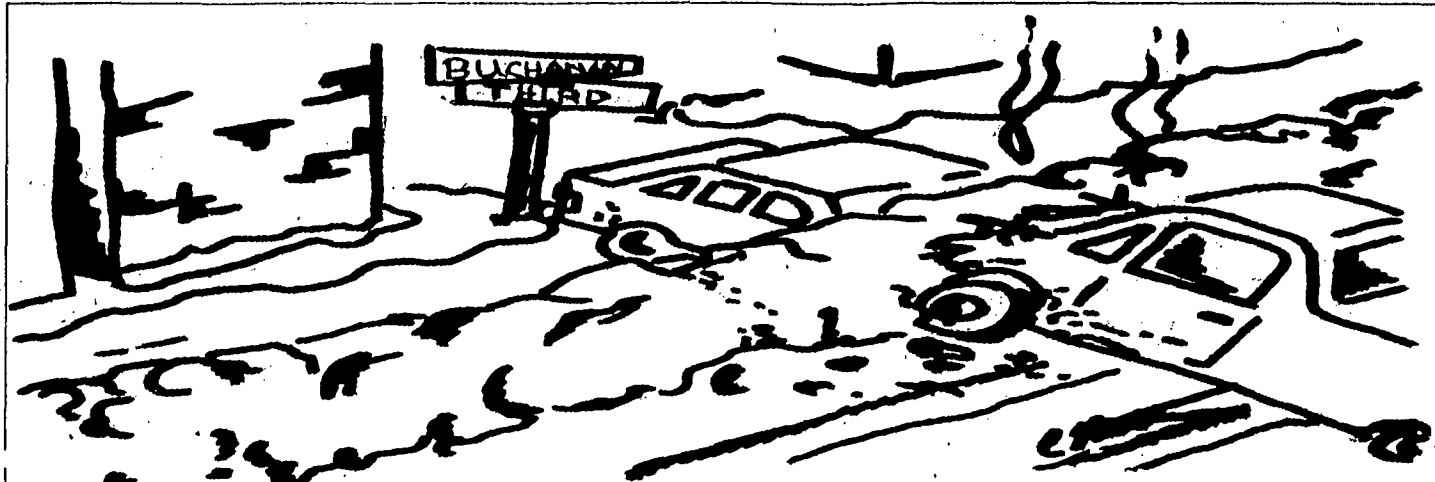
The Chamber of Commerce is heading a Santa shopping spree and along with local businesses are offering drawings for

Chamber bucks with prizes ranging from \$350-\$500.

The holiday season is a time of giving, and there are many great opportunities here to spread the yuletide cheer in Maryville.

All area residents should help the less fortunate and rally behind these local businesses.

Don't be a Scrooge — it is up to you to make sure that others can enjoy this time of year.



Maryville Department of Transportation Fact No. 70: Did you know Maryville is the only city in the union to plow their snow to the middle of the street?

My Turn

Last 2 cents: Graduating seniors bid farewell after 4.5 years



■ Chris Gelnosky

Advice on college life — from friendships to internships — is this senior's graduation present to undergrads

Well, I can't believe it. Years of hard work, dedication and perseverance have paid off — OK, those all-nighters paid off.

Soon I will be an alumnus from Northwest, so don't worry. If I can do it, that means you still have hope.

After spending the last four and a half years in the 'Ville, I feel like I know this place inside-out. Let me tell you, if you're seeking consultation or professional help, you're coming to the wrong place.

But I can still offer some pretty good advice to you underclassmen. Here's some things you always want to remember.

■ Freshmen, lose the high school letterman jackets. Everybody wants to be a Bearcat!

■ Even if you think you don't have any friends, don't worry, there's always Velma the Wal-Mart greeter. If you don't have a car, there's Cathy at Freshens.

■ Make sure you get everything from your parents now. When you reach my age, you get a conscience and feel bad asking for money.

■ Don't put up with your

roommate's crap. He has to go to class some time, so you can get him back.

■ Guys, date someone on campus so when your Bearcat card runs out of money, you can have her pay for your meals.

■ Try to avoid that dreaded trek on U.S. 71 between Maryville and St. Joe — nuff said.

■ Make sure you do some kind of internship in college. That way after graduation, you can tell your co-workers at the grocery how it was a great place to work.

■ Guys, don't worry about women. The more you know, the more confused you get. Trust me on this one.

■ Just have fun and be yourself because this won't last forever.

There, that oughta get you through college. Hey, nobody ever called me "Dear Abby," but I tried my best.

Now, before I finish the last column in my collegiate career, I need to recognize some people that helped me get here.

■ Publications adviser Laura Widmer — I still don't know how she does all the things she does, and I can't believe she put up with

me for four years!

■ The Maryville High School staff and coaches — I hope you enjoyed working with me as much as I enjoyed working you all of you. Go 'Hounds!

■ Terry Barmann and Lee Miller — Wanna know anything about officiating the game of baseball? Boy, these guys are good at what they do.

■ Gene Cassell (his ego has to be riding high now) — He directly and indirectly taught me many of the things I now about journalism today, even if he doesn't have much hair left.

■ All of my friends, and there are many of you — you guys are what made my experience here the best.

And even though we may be going our separate ways, our memories will always keep us together.

Thank you to everybody, and good luck in the future. But don't worry, I'll be back for Homecoming — as long as I can find a damn parking space.

Chris Gelnosky will graduate with a major in journalism and a minor in broadcasting.

My Turn



■ Corbin Pierce

Four and a half years of haircuts, banking and Greek life leave fond memories

I received my mail the other day and found that I will be graduating, but there will be a fee. I thought it was odd that I was assessed the fee, but it almost seemed fitting.

All this means that I must say good-bye and thank you to some wonderful people and this institution.

However, instead of saying good-bye, I am going to leave you with some helpful pieces of advice that I have gathered over the past four and a half years and a few thank yous.

■ Eating at Tower isn't that bad. Over the years, I have grown accustomed to the taste of their steaks. You see, if you get a soufflé cup and fill it half with ranch dressing and half with A-1 Steak Sauce and mix it up, it takes the steak to the next level. I know it sounds gross, it looks gross, but it tastes good.

■ I used to think that Roosevelt Bank was the best bank in the town. You see, I used to bank at another spot on the square.

However, I was treated somewhat like a child, and I didn't feel like I was treated in a fair manner. So I moved my services to Roosevelt, which is now Mercantile. The ladies that worked there were the nicest bunch of adults I have ever worked with. They were always more than willing to talk to me, let me know of a special deal and they always called me by name. I truly felt like I was banking back home. Mercantile has taken over, and it sucks. The people are rude and the service is horrible. They said, "The customer won't even be able to tell we've made changes." The

Roosevelt ladies look at me when I go in and the look on their face is like, "I'm sorry." So I'm not going to bank there anymore. The point of this section is to say thank you to those ladies that made banking at Roosevelt easy for me during college.

■ Getting a haircut to some guys is not a big deal. To me, however, it is as important as the clothes I wear. So just not any place will do. I was getting my haircut at this one place. The price for a haircut was like \$5 or something. Except, he only knew one style. High and tight. I'd say just a trim today and he'd say ...

High and tight! The cue ball look isn't for me, so I found a place called Looks Salon. I have been getting my hair cut there for most of my college career. Pam was the best stylist, I use that term in a masculine manner, I have ever had. I would call and say "Pam I need a haircut today," and she would bump people just for me to get a simple haircut.

■ To the mass communication department, I truly feel sorry for students who just go to class, get their degrees and leave. I have been lucky to be apart of a department where I feel like I am a part of it. From this newspaper to the radio. You know how the athletes on campus work hard in their sport when they aren't in class. Well, broadcasting and journalism students are working hard on the *Missourian*, *KXCV*, *KDLX*, *KNWT*, *Heartland View* and *Tower Yearbook*. This department is one of the trendsetting departments in the college industry. If you don't

believe me, then go look on the walls of the journalism and broadcasting departments. Did you know that the broadcasting department has a full production company that creates corporate videos for major companies and the journalism department sets the pace in multimedia for colleges around the country? That's impressive.

■ Finally, to the Residence Hall Association for encouraging me to be in a Greek organization. Yes, RHA. My freshman year, I hung out with guys on my floor, and we did everything together. One time my whole floor streaked from Phillips Hall to Hudson Hall. Besides saying perversion, it says that 30 guys got along great and had a lot of fun together — all thanks to RHA. But you know what, the typical thing at Northwest happened. They all transferred or dropped out. I had nothing, except my major.

I decided to rush Delta Chi. It was fun because it reminded me of the fun my friends and I had my freshman year. I loved it, so I joined. I catch a lot of slack for it, too. I laugh when people say "God Damn Independent" or some other kind of acrostic.

You see, I have tried GDI. It wasn't for me. It's like eating vegetables when you are little. "How do you know you don't like them if you haven't tried them?" my mom would say. Remember that.

Be involved, be sociable and have fun. You're only here once.

Corbin Pierce will graduate with a major in broadcasting and a minor in journalism.

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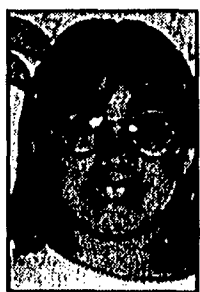
It's Your Turn

What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas?



"A go-cart and roller skates and my two front teeth."

Josh Wagner, age 6



"I want Barbie dolls and roller skates."

Kendra Wagner, age 7



"I want Miko from Pocahontas."

Allyson Carter, age 3



"A 3D puzzle — they're not flat, they build up."

Seth Scott, age 6



"A bear, because I just do."

Lee Martin, age 4



"Farm stuff and that's all."

Trevor Hines, age 4

Virus infects many campus computers

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

If you still have papers to write and need to use computers at Owens Library or other buildings on campus, watch out before opening your Microsoft Word document.

A new strain of virus has infected Microsoft Word in many computers on campus, and the virus has spread and created problems for many users.

A Word document becomes in-

fected with the virus after users save it on the infected computer. Sometimes the document can be recovered in other forms such as in a template.

One of the major problems is that users have to retype what they have written because they cannot open the document. In the worst case, the document is destroyed.

"Unfortunately, I've been working on these assignments (that now have the virus) for the past four weeks," said Kelson Thomas, engineering computer major. "Right now,

I've got a headache because all my files were scrambled because viruses are difficult to analyze now. I don't know what to do (with my assignments)."

Thomas said he asked computer lab assistants for help, but they could not solve the problems.

Tabatha Verbick, academic computing user consultant, said although she is not sure how the new virus was brought into the library, the current anti-virus program cannot protect against the new strain of virus.

"The anti-virus program protects all the viruses (known of at that time) once the anti-virus is released," Verbick said. "New strains of viruses can come out, which means an anti-virus program can't catch (them) because it doesn't know of (them)."

Verbick said the only solution is to upgrade the anti-virus software. But she cannot do it now because the operation takes time and there are more than 100 computers in the library.

Verbick also said many users

would be upset if the consultants updated the software because it is a busy time for many students in the semester.

"I plan, in January, (before spring semester) to drop all the hard drives here and fresh load to update the 'Norton Anti-Virus' (anti-virus software) to the most current version at this point, which should help even more against viruses," Verbick said.

However, Verbick said she will not update the anti-virus software in the computers in the residence halls

because that's the students responsibility.

Verbick recommended three temporary ways to deal with the new strains of virus for the Word users. One is to print out the document often, so that way they can retype the document if it is lost.

The second tip for users is to ask lab assistants if they do not know what to do. Finally, all individuals should purchase anti-virus software which is available in the bookstore and they keep updating.

Conference Center opens for finals

RHA, Student Senate sponsors alternate study environment for exams

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Many students use the library as a place to study during finals week. However, for those who need additional time than library hours, the Residence Hall Association and Student Senate is opening the Conference Center as an alternative place to study during finals week.

Beginning Monday, it will be available for students from 11:30 p.m. until 7:30 a.m. throughout the week.

RHA and Student Senate want to provide students an opportunity to get their work done in a quiet at-

mosphere where they will not be interrupted by others.

Free coffee and doughnuts are incentives for studying in the Conference Center.

RHA has sponsored the study session for the last three years. The turnout averages 150 students a night.

RHA president Jeff Lukens said it is a good place to study because it gives the students a change of environment and puts them in a setting for the purpose of studying.

"A lot of times, all people need is a change of atmosphere to get their studying done," Lukens said. "And the good turnouts show that students do like it."

The Conference Center will be split into three sections. One section will be for individual study, one for

group study and the third section will be a break room.

There won't be any reference materials or computers provided for students, but the building does have data ports for students to plug in their personal computers.

Lukens said students can come and go as they please throughout the night.

RHA hopes this service will help the students. Josh Skidmore, biology/psychology major, said it is an opportunity that should be taken advantage of if it fits the student's personal schedules.

"I think if I was going to study at 1 a.m. and I needed some doughnuts, I would definitely go," Skidmore said. "It sounds like a good plan and could be really beneficial for students."



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Denise Hastings, right, who portrayed Mrs. Claus in the children's Christmas show, talks with children who came to the Charles Johnson Theater for the production Friday night. The show ran Friday through Saturday.

Play offers Christmas twist

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

How many times can a psychiatric patient be described as jolly, bearded and having a tummy that shook like a bowl full of jelly?

As odd as that may sound, members of Alpha Psi Omega portrayed that picture last weekend in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The honorary theater fraternity performed its annual children's Christmas show which gave Maryville residents a chance to enjoy a Christmas show and learn several lessons.

The show, "Santa Sees a Shrink," was \$1 or a canned food item donation for the Maryville Food Pantry.

The show has been a tradition at Northwest since the 60s, said Charles Schultz, fraternity sponsor and theater professor.

Although it is a children's show, this year's attraction has been viewed by all age groups.

"We were expecting 200-300 people for the shows on campus; mostly kids and college students who were seeing it for theater appreciation class," play director

Nate Stuber said. "This script was written more to the adult audience than in the past, making it enjoyable to all ages."

It was Stuber's first experience in the director's chair and an enjoyable one.

"It has been a lot of fun," Stuber said. "I had a good, energetic cast that made it easy to work."

The show is very important to Alpha Psi Omega's because it is their major fund-raising event for the year. The group will take the show on the road to several other venues in the area, such as Ravenwood and Shenandoah, Iowa.

Schultz said the group has an honorary fee at each show they perform to cover the traveling expenses.

Overall, the show was enjoyed last weekend by those involved.

"I hope it shows good, Christmas spirit," Schultz said. "It is entertaining to the school and a service to the community."

The show is not only for entertainment but will give the cast more acting experience.

"It is a valuable experience for the kids to adapt and adjust to all facilities in which they must perform their craft," Schultz said.

Fall 1997 Finals Schedule

All sections of:
PE/HES (Lifetime Wellness) 110
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Chemistry (Lab) 113, 115, 117
Physical Science (Lab) 103
Computer Science 130
History 155
Government 102
Communications 102

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December 15, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 16, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
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December 16, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
December 17, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
December 17, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 18, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

Classes meeting for the first time in the week:

Monday, December 15
11 a.m. Monday
2 p.m. Monday
9 a.m., 9:30 a.m. or 9:35 a.m.
Tuesday
2 p.m. Tuesday

Tuesday, December 16
8 a.m. Tuesday
11 a.m. Tuesday
3 p.m. Monday
9 a.m. Monday

Wednesday, December 17
Noon Monday
3 p.m., 3:30 p.m. or 3:35 p.m.
Tuesday
10 a.m. Monday

Thursday, December 18
8 a.m. Monday
1 p.m. Monday
Noon, 12:30 p.m. or 12:35 p.m.
Tuesday
4 p.m. Tuesday

Friday, December 19
10 a.m. Tuesday
4 p.m. Monday
1 p.m. Tuesday

Date and hour of final examination

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Heather Alingo/Missourian Staff

Bands join forces for game

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

The Bearcat and Spoofhound marching band members performed during the halftime show at the Kansas City Chiefs football game Sunday.

"It went by in a hurry with eight minutes to play," said Al Sergel, Northwest band director. "I was very pleased, (because they) don't get to warm up and it (was) cold."

Despite the weather, the adrenaline was flowing throughout the band.

Also being in front of 70,000 Chiefs' fans made performing in an NFL stadium more exciting for many band members.

"It was incredible and awesome to perform in front of that many people," said Alan Hutchcraft, drumline section leader. "It was a good experience for both to learn

what it is like to play with higher level experience, on the same hand (it) calls for them to (both) get better."

It was the second time the Northwest band performed at a Chiefs game. Although there were a few first time performers in the squad.

"I was very nervous, but I thought we did a good job," said Jennifer Will, Northwest saxophone player. "Seventy thousand people is a lot of people to play in front of, but involving the high school made things seem even better."

Having the high school band join the University band was a decision made over the summer when Sergel asked Dennis Dau, Maryville High School band director, to perform part of the show with them.

"It was a great opportunity for the high school students and was a way to give the students an educational opportunity," Dau said.

Both groups worked hard to make the experience a positive one. They worked on the music individually to prepare each band separately, Dau said.

"The last week, both bands got together to practice to put everything together," Andrea Stiens, Maryville trumpet player said. "It was a little work, especially plying the first trumpet part with the notes a lot higher."

High performance was the result the hard work of the many students that were involved.

Bill Dodd, Maryville High School band director, wrote the drill formation in collaboration with Sergel, setting the forms up to allow both bands to join together.

Elisabeth Crawford, Northwest feature twirler, worked in combining auxiliary flag twirler work, and John Milligan, flag corps coordinator designed the auxiliary flag corps work.

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tions as to what the students want."

Student Regent Marissa Sanchez said the job is a difficult task that takes responsibility and articulation, but is an incredible opportunity.

"It's been rewarding to become familiar with the interworkings of the campus, as well as being on a different level with the students and the faculty," Sanchez said.

The position, which is required at all state schools in Missouri, was established through state legislation.

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Northwest Missourian

First woman's group produces magazine

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

The Northwest Beta Sigma Phi chapter, a women's group on campus, is entering uncharted waters as plans its debut issue of Lynx, a feminist magazine.

"This is an opportunity for a magazine with a woman's point of view," club president Joannie Kidder said. "We hope it reflects what goes on in a woman's life from a wide variety of viewpoints."

Kidder realizes completing the 64-page journal will not be an easy task.

"It will be a challenge, and there will be a lot to learn as we go," she said. "We don't expect it to be perfect, but we will give it our best shot."

The club is looking for works by students, faculty and community members.

If someone would like to have their work published they can submit a piece to the club for consideration. They are looking for poetry, fiction, nonfiction, art and photography.

Beta Sigma Phi will fund the magazine by charging \$3 for each issue, as well as fund raisers and applying for a grant.

"Our mission is to provoke thought and experience from the woman's perspective," Kidder said. "We hope to provide a tie between campus and community."

Kidder expects the magazine to come out in March which corresponds with Women's History month.

Entries should be addressed to Lynx in care of Beta Sigma Phi and delivered to the campus mail center located in Thompson-Ringold.

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Couple travels to Africa, fights polio epidemic

■ Retired physician, wife volunteer time giving children vaccine

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Hunger, drought and war are the usual images that come to mind when Africa is mentioned.

However, another problem is virtually running unchecked through the continent. Even though it hasn't been seen in the Western Hemisphere since 1991, polio is an epidemic that affects millions of African children from jungles to deserts.

Although it may seem far away from most people's everyday lives, two Maryville residents are concerned with the spread of polio in Africa.

Retired physician Robert Dunshee and his wife, Winifred, recently spent a week in Ethiopia giving polio vaccinations at free health clinics.

"Sometimes we don't look beyond our own communities," Dunshee said. "What some people don't realize is that their community today is about 25,000 miles around."

As many as nine million children were treated Nov. 12-14 in a countrywide program called National Immunization Days (NIDs), Dunshee said.

More than 500 children were treated in one morning alone, and more than 180 doctors from around

the world volunteered for the program.

The polio vaccine is not difficult to administer. It is an oral vaccine, and it only takes a couple of drops on the tongue to immunize a child. Adults are rarely treated for polio because they have already built up an immunity.

"We went to very primitive clinics," Dunshee said. "One day we even delivered a baby. Workers used such primitive things as pressure cookers to sterilize equipment."

NIDs are set up by Polio Plus Partners, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and governments around the world. At a recent NID in India, more than 70 million children were immunized against polio in one week.

The program began more than 10 years ago when the Rotary International originally set out to eradicate the polio virus. Their goal was to raise \$120 million. Amazingly, over \$240 million was raised to provide the vaccine around the world.

More than \$400 million dollars has been spent for the vaccines so far, Dunshee said. These funds are still not adequately meeting the world's needs.

"We take (the polio vaccine) for granted," Dunshee said. "We're so lucky in the United States; we tend to forget that other people in the world aren't."

Africa is a reservoir for polio de-



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
Robert and Winifred Dunshee spent a week in Ethiopia immunizing children with the polio vaccine. They wore uniforms to identify them as volunteers in Africa's National Immunization Day.

spite concentrated efforts to eliminate it, Dunshee said. The main reason for this is the vaccine must be refrigerated which is a difficult task in the humid jungles of Africa.

"The vaccine must be delivered by foot, bus, runners, canoes and even helicopters," Dunshee said. "We have developed an insulated container to get the vaccine to the darkest areas of Africa."

However, another major obstacle the workers had to overcome was fear. The doctors found out a rumor had started that the doctors were trying to spread HIV.

"I've always been interested in Africa, and I think it has lots of potential — if they can get their act together," Dunshee said. "It's hard to fight that kind of ignorance."

Dunshee has been with the Ro-

program since its start. He has helped raise money as well as provided his services as a physician. Dunshee is dedicated to fighting polio for two reasons.

"No. 1, I'm a physician, and I'm dedicated to provide good health to people," he said. "No. 2, I remember when polio closed the public pool. It was a scary time for a lot of people."

His childhood experience with polio made Dunshee eager for the opportunity to help fight the disease in Ethiopia.

"It really got to me," he said. "I had the opportunity to go and finish this crusade (against polio). I would like to leave this footprint behind me."

For millions of children in Africa, footprints left by people such as Dunshee could lead them to a longer and healthier life.



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
A nurse in Ethiopia shows a child how the polio vaccine is administered. As many as nine million children were treated by volunteers at free clinics Nov. 12-14 during National Immunization Days in Africa.

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that have to take place at this point, and (there are) lots of challenges ahead."

The building project is a combination of a new middle school building at West South Hills Drive as well as additions to Eugene Field Elementary School and Maryville High School.

The project should get underway

as soon as possible, depending on the weather, Bell said. The district is anticipating that the elementary and high school projects will be finished by August of 1998, while the middle school building should be completed by the end of April 1999.

Barbara Heckathorn, Eugene Field Elementary School principal, said the additions will provide an exceptional opportunity for the children's future.

"We have been very, very crowded at Eugene Field," Heckathorn said. "It is a fantastic thing that says the community truly cares about the education of their children and they are looking towards the future, and appropriately providing for the children of the community."

Ray Courter, School Board vice president, was part of the very first steering committee on the bond is-

sue. He and other board members continued to do research on the project. It took seven bond issues before a general obligation bond issue of \$9.485 million passed April 1, 1997.

"I've had an interest in school issues for a long, long time," Courter said. "I'm pleased the community saw it fit this time to vote for the proposal. I'm really thankful that the community took as long as it did in

one sense because it turned out to be the best set of circumstances and best proposal we could have come up with. The community had an insight, and I believe that was very important."

The district can begin working towards their ultimate goal of improving the educational standards and technology of all of the Maryville's schools.

"It means that there are youth in the years to come that will have the

type of facilities and programs that they'll be able to be educated in, so they can go out and beat the world," Redd said. "With all the technology and all the challenges taking place, all the needs for education and personalization in education that this will allow, is really great for our community, and to know that our youth here in Maryville will have an opportunity to compete worldwide."

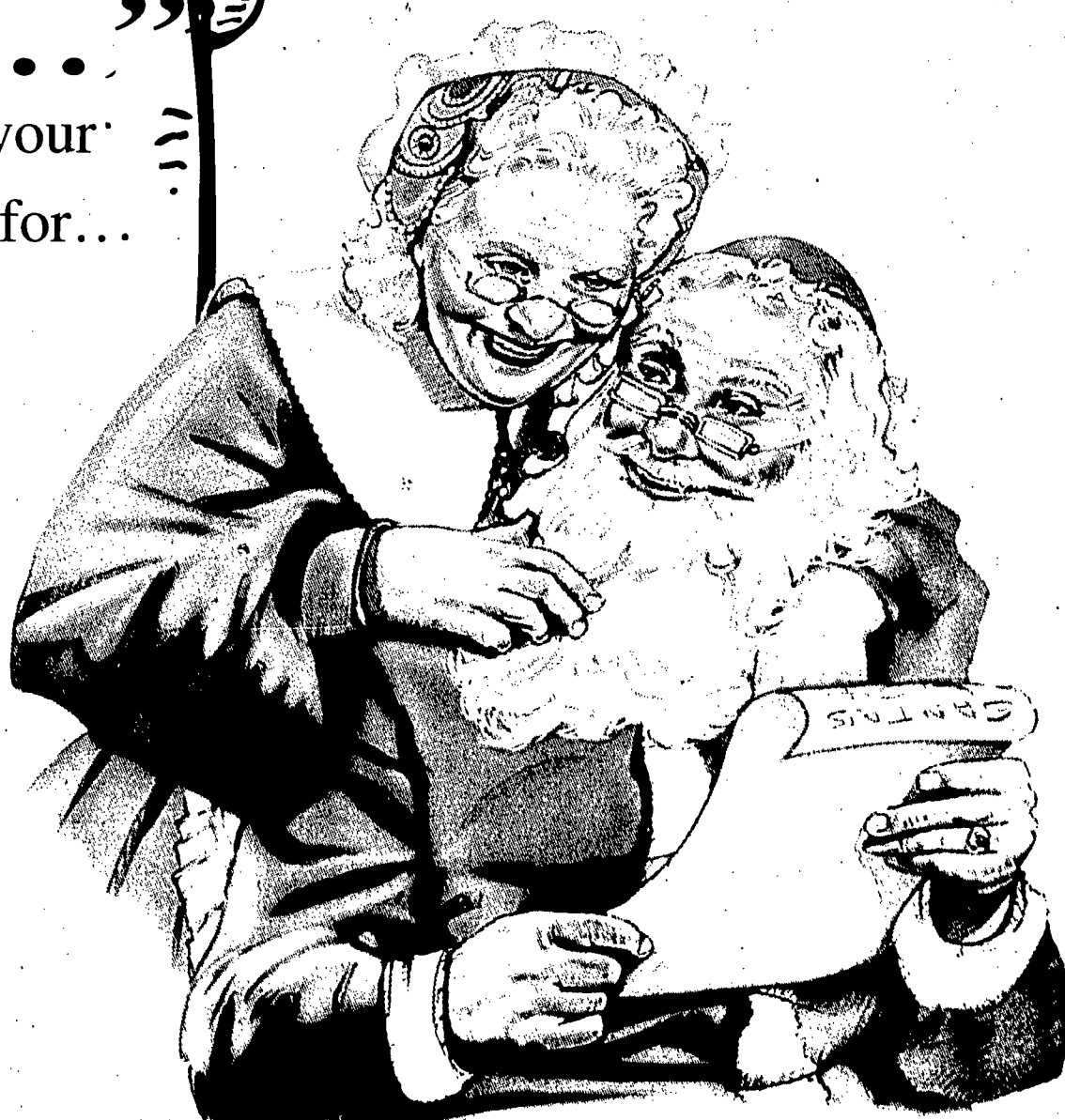
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Residents gather to honor banker

by **Toru Yamauchi**
Chief Reporter

Celebrating a promotion and wishing an influential Maryville man farewell brought many people to the University Conference Center Tuesday.

Rollie Stadlman was promoted last month to executive vice president of Citizen's Bank and Trust in Chillicothe. He will move after Christmas.

Stadlman has worked as the executive vice president for First Bank CBC for five years. The promotion also puts him in charge of marketing at three banks.

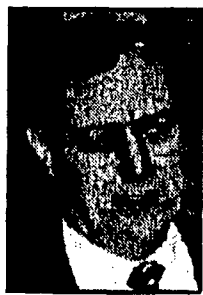
Stadlman worked at Northwest until 1991 for 21 years. He was one of the founders of KXCV, director of broadcasting, Alumni Relations director and executive assistant to University President Dean Hubbard.

Stadlman has lived in Maryville since 1965. This promotion is a new opportunity for Stadlman.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity and hopefully continuing to contribute to the growth of the company," Stadlman said.

Although Stadlman was proud of being part of the new bank, he said he would miss Maryville.

"We (Stadlman and his wife) wish we



■ **Rollie Stadlman**

could stay in the community," he said. "We leave with some sadness and look forward to the start of an adventure."

Stadlman's influence will make many local people miss him.

"We're very sad to lose him because Rollie is not only an effective banker, but he's been a most effective citizen in Maryville," said Robert Foster, former University president. "We'll always think of Rollie as a part of campus and Maryville."

Mike Johnson, Alumni Relations director, and a Northwest student and broadcasting major when Stadlman was the director of broadcasting, said he cannot imagine Maryville without him.

"It's hard to envision what Maryville is going to be like without Rollie," Johnson said. "He is someone I always looked up to."

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moved back to Maryville and his youngest son attends Northwest and lives at home. The Martins' daughter goes to the Colorado Institute of Art.

Despite Martin's illness, the family is trying to make the best of this holiday season. They were able to go to Norfolk, Neb., to see his family for Thanksgiving and have already made travel plans for Christmas.

"I need to get to Texas and Colorado," he said. "I've got friends there that introduced Paula and I. The doctors will let me go. I'm pushy."

It hurts Martin to see his family going through this pain.

"It's a hell of a lot easier on me than anybody else," he said. "They have to deal with the cancer and me."

From what Martin can tell, his family's handling the news of his cancer courageously.

"They try to protect me," he said. "I don't see a lot of it except maybe a little through a crack."

Martin has faced the fact that he may not see his family develop into the future.

"My wife (Paula) was planning on having me around for another 30 years," he said. "I was planning on seeing my grandchildren."

Martin's gratitude also extends to his friends and all of Maryville.

"People come out of the woodwork," he said. "If you're not standing in the right place at the right time,

you'll never see this about Maryville. It's amazing."

From the beginning, community members and friends have taken on the role of good samaritans. The Martin home has had somewhat of a revolving door since the diagnosis.

"People are always dropping in to offer their support," he said. "There's two or three guys that walk away from their jobs to take me to coffee three times a week. It's great."

Martin said there are countless individuals who want to help. He is still amazed by the people who always make time for him.

"They've got no agenda, except me," he said. "That's selflessness beyond a call."

The local firefighters sponsored a dance in Martin's honor in November at the Legion Club.

Martin was worried about how long he would be able to stand at the event. Just as he was getting ready to go, a few friends drove up to his house.

They loaded his chair in the back of the truck and took it to the dance.

"I even got to dance twice," he said. "There were a bunch of people I hadn't seen for a long time. It was a hoot getting together."

Much to his surprise, the city declared Nov. 14, Dennis Martin Day.

The firefighters also surprised Martin during Northwest's Homecoming.

"My big goal was to get home for the parade," he said. "The guys had put a big 'Welcome Home Dennis' sign on the fire truck."

"People come out of the woodwork. If you're not standing in the right place at the right time, you'll never see this about Maryville."

■ **Dennis Martin, Maryville resident**

Several people even gathered their frequent flyer miles to bring Martin's daughter home for Thanksgiving.

Road to Recovery, a group of retired residents, provided transportation and company for Martin when he was receiving treatment five days a week. Without the help of these volunteers, Paula would have had to quit her job to transport her husband.

Martin has always taken an honest approach with his friends and family.

"I haven't kept any secrets," he said. "I'm pretty much what-you-see-is-what-you-get. I'm a real poor liar."

Martin said that way it is easier on his friends. They don't have to ask uncomfortable questions and they don't wonder how he's doing.

"It's terribly hard on them," he said. "But that way, they can deal with it and I don't feel like I'm mistreating them."

Martin went through a course of radiation and chemotherapy at Heartland Health System Cancer Center in St. Joseph.

A recent CAT scan revealed that the original radiation successfully shrunk the tumor in the esophagus, but the rest of the cancerous tissue had spread through the blood stream to his liver.

"The tumor is large and fast growing," he said. "It travels faster than I'll get out."

The treatments have caused Martin to lose nearly 40 pounds.

"Except for the swelling in my face and neck, I look like a damn refugee," he said.

Right now, he is trying to gain some of the weight back and strengthen his legs.

Martin was scheduled to begin radical chemotherapy this week. There is a 50 percent chance the chemotherapy will be effective. There is also a 50 percent chance it will accelerate the disease.

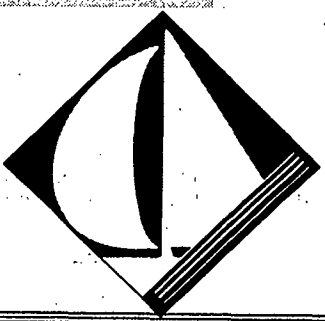
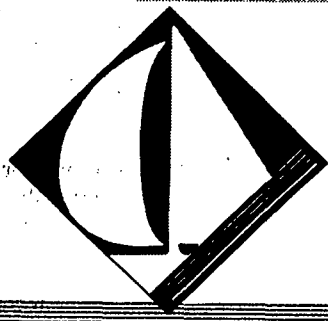
"It's sort of depressing," he said. "I'm not looking out that huge of a window."

His doctors have not given Martin a life expectancy.

"It's months, not years," he said. "I'd like to make it to my 50th birthday in May. I'm also shooting for our 30th anniversary next November, but that will be a stretch."

Congratualtions and Good Luck to our December Graduates!

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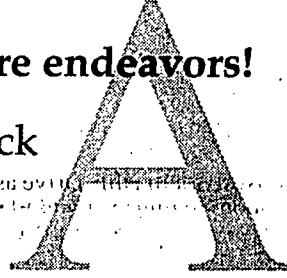
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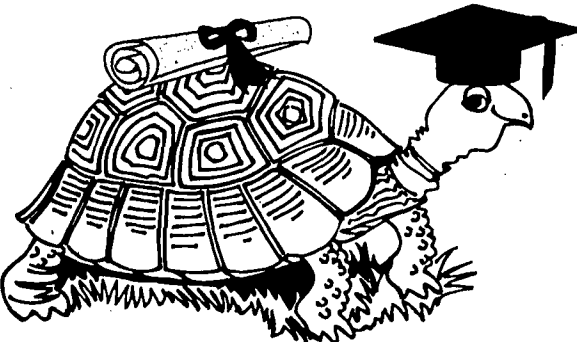
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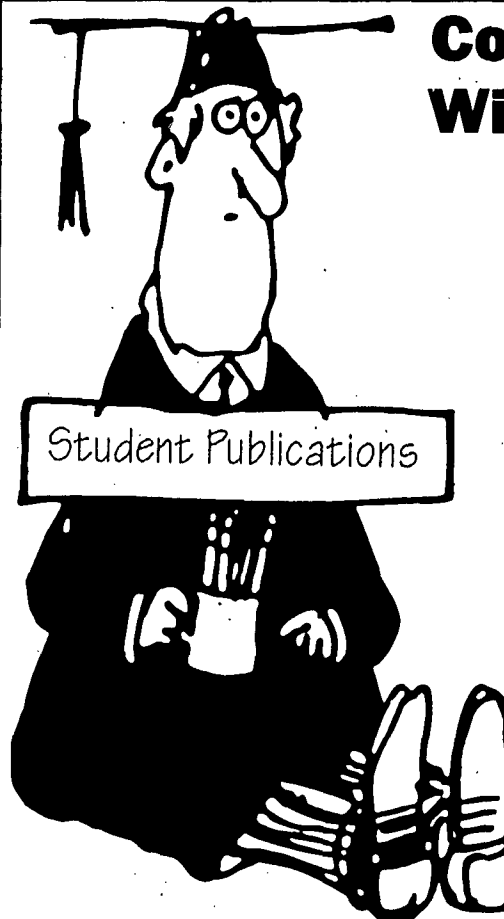
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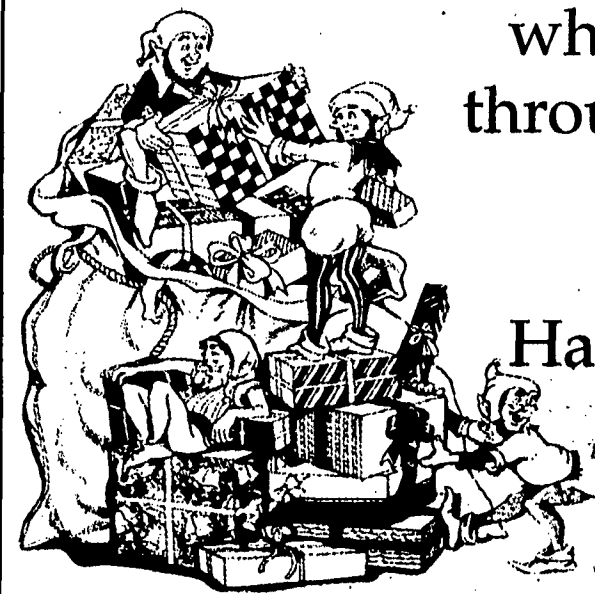
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Public Safety

December 4

While on patrol in the 600 block of North Main Street, an officer observed a vehicle cross over the center line. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Andrew P. Peterson, 20, Maryville. While talking with the driver, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he failed to complete a field sobriety test successfully and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

While on patrol in the area of Buchanan and Lincoln streets an officer saw a vehicle with a headlight out. While talking with the driver Christopher L. Veatch, 20, St. Joseph, an odor of intoxicants was detected and he was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he unsuccessfully completed a field sobriety test and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit.

Brandi L. Hicks, Maryville, was westbound on College Park Drive, approaching College Avenue. Brooke J. Cashion, Overland Park, Kan., was traveling west on College Avenue approaching College Park Drive. Hicks was unable to stop because of road conditions and struck Cashion.

Jennifer L. Clement, Maryville, and Debra C. Henggeler, Ravenwood, were both traveling south on Main Street. Clement said Henggeler applied the brakes and Clement put her brakes on and fish-tailed striking Henggeler's vehicle in the rear. No citations were issued.

December 6

While an officer was on patrol in the 1100 block of East Halsey, he observed a vehicle fail to stop at a stop sign. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Terry L. Messick, 42, Maryville. While talking with the driver, an odor of intoxicants was detected and she was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after she could not complete a field sobriety test successfully and her blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. She was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a stop sign.

Witnesses reported that Keith M. Swinford, Maryville, was backing up and struck the vehicle of Kipp E. Feldt, Maryville, then left the scene. After getting a description of Swinford's vehicle, it was located and citations for failure to exercise highest degree of care and leaving the scene were issued to Swinford.

December 7

A 1988 Ford Bronco II was towed from Fourth and Walnut streets where it was illegally parked.

Jerry R. Pye and Susan L. Grace, both of Maryville, were traveling south on Main Street. Grace slowed in traffic and her vehicle was struck in the rear by Pye. A citation was issued to Pye for failure to exercise the highest degree of care.

New Arrivals

Michael Andrew Holley

Chuck and Patty Holley, Maryville, are the parents of Michael Andrew, born Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Grandparents are Norman and Louise Andrews, St. Joseph; and John and Colleen Holley, Shell Rock, Iowa.

Payton Jeanne Ternus

Dana Schulz and Jason Ternus, Maryville, are the parents of Payton Jeanne, born Dec. 2 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Robin Schulz and Gale Jungemann-Schulz, Seward, Neb.; and Mary and Jerry Ternus, Goehner, Neb.

Campus Safety Obituaries

December 1

Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

A student reported the theft of their student identification and it was used fraudulently. An investigation was conducted, and the charges were found to be made by owner of the card. The report was forwarded to the vice president of Student Affairs.

December 2

Campus Safety investigated a property damage report in a building on campus. The suspect was located and issued a summons to the vice president of Student Affairs.

Campus Safety investigated a report of an unwanted guest. The information was unfounded.

Campus Safety responded to a building on campus in reference to a student in need of help. Contact was made with the student, and the individual was transported to St. Francis Hospital for further evaluation.

December 3

Campus Safety investigated a report of property damage on campus. An investigation was initiated.

Robert Mutti

Robert M. Mutti, 85, Hopkins, died Dec. 1 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born June 21, 1912, to Albert and Eva Mutti in Hopkins.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille; one daughter, Sherrie Mitchell; two brothers, Ralph and George; 2 granddaughters; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were last Thursday at the Wray Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins.

Cletus Pitznabarger

Cletus E. Pitznabarger, 85, Ravenwood, died Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 12, 1912, to Philip and Zita Pitznabarger in Rockwell, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; two daughters Joanne Schmitz and Genie Swenson; three brothers; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in St. Joseph.

James Thompson

James "Jimmie" B. Thompson, 69, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Heartland East Hospital in St. Joseph.

He was born June 11, 1949, to Harold and Dora Thompson in Maryville.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene; two sons, Curt and Scott; two daughters, Marlene and D'Ann; and one grandson.

Services were Friday, at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Otis Booth

Otis Eugene Booth, 81, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born Nov. 22, 1916, to Earl and Cora Booth in Wilcox.

Survivors include two daughters, Marcia Beattie and Gail; one son, Lowell; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Friday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Herbert Gard

Herbert Lee Gard, 95, Maryville, died last Thursday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Aug. 22, 1920, to Herbert and Belle Gard in Shellsburg, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Pearl; five sons, Curtis, Paul, Darl, Wayne and Dean; three daughters, Marilyn Ausdall, Norma Sikes, and Rose Findlen; two brothers; 24 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Monday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Vacile Harmon

Vacile Solomon Harmon, 90, died Dec. 6 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 2, 1907, to George and Katherine Harmon in Metz.

Survivors include two sons, Gall and Lowell; one daughter, Gloria; one sister; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Tuesday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

James Heflin

James Sherman Heflin, 72, Maryville, died Monday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Oct. 7, 1925, to Alva and Lucille Heflin in Graham.

Survivors include his wife, Hallie; two sons, Paul and David; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one sister; and four nephews.

Services were today at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

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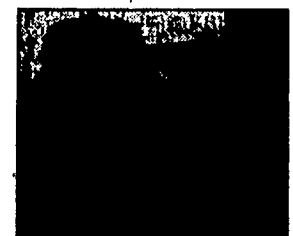
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Men squash Graceland

Dec. 10

**Northwest: 107
Graceland: 75**

by JP Farris
Chief Reporter

After barking for no let-ups, head coach Steve Tappmeyer and the Bearcats jumped out to a 10-0 lead against Graceland College Wednesday night. And they never let up.

The Bearcats never trailed in the 107-75 win, avenging last year's, 75-70 loss. Because of pressure defense, they forced 27 turnovers to their 10. "The big stat to look at is turnovers," Tappmeyer said. "When a team is pressing, and you're playing with a lead, only 10 turnovers (that's good). Last year we were up 16, and then we started turning the ball over and missing free throws. I just think this year we have a better team."

Although the defense looked good, Tappmeyer said, it was inconsistent. "We caused a lot of turnovers, but then we give up too many easy shots," he said. "It's like feast or famine. Our defense has to be played all out. When our intensity drops off a little bit, we

would be better going to a zone."

Creating turnovers on the defensive end translated into the first time the Bearcats broke the century mark. Junior forward Matt Redd led a balanced attack with 19 points and eight rebounds. In his first start as a Bearcat, junior forward Levant Williams added 16 points and 11 rebounds.

The 'Cats ship off to the Bahamas Dec. 20. Their first opponent, Simon Fraser University was called one of the best teams they will play all year by senior guard Shakey Harrington.

The 'Cats will have 10 more days off like before the Graceland game. "I hope (last game's play) is due to the 10 days off," Harrington said. "Hopefully we can run it up like that in the Bahamas. It's hot out there, so I hope we can heat up the scoreboard."

Dec. 10

**Northwest: 55
Rockhurst: 76**

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

After a 7-0 start, their best since 1990-91, injuries caught up with the

Bearcat women Wednesday night.

The matchup pitted the Bearcats against Rockhurst, a team they defeated by only three points earlier in the season.

But with key player Denise Sump, sophomore center, out with a stress fracture and senior guard Pam Cummings sick with the flu, victory eluded the 'Cats. The women fell to the Lady Hawks 76-55.

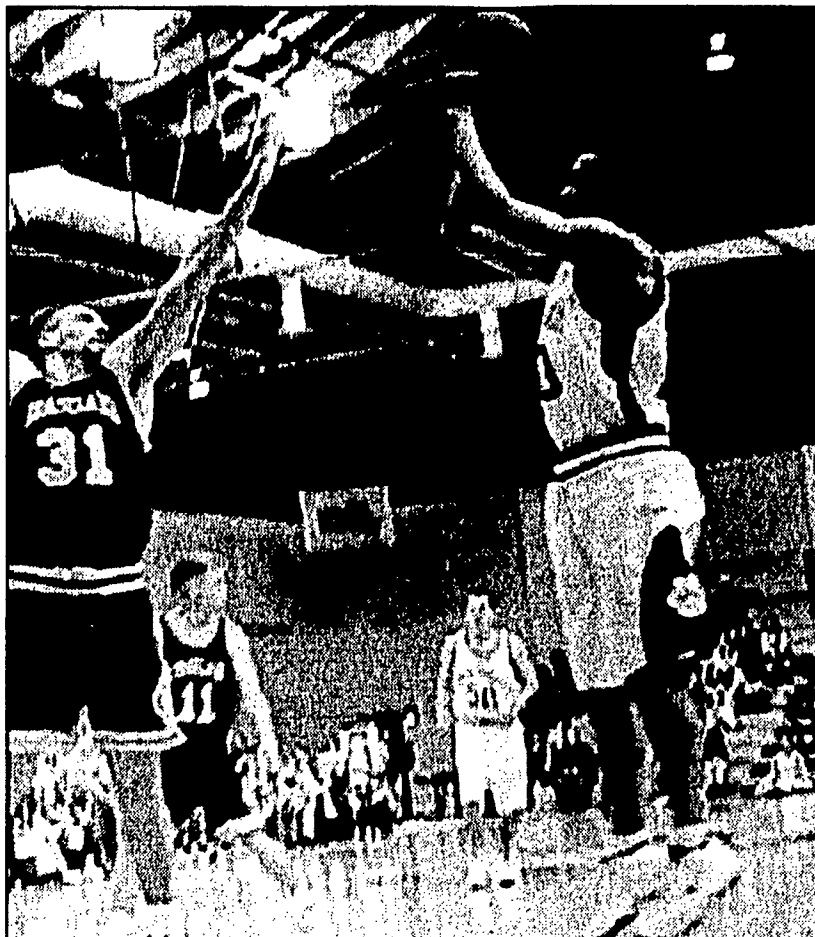
The Bearcat women were down 36-22 at the half and were not able to recover despite picking up 33 points in the second half.

Senior forward Annie Coy led the team in the game, scoring 16 points and pulling down seven boards, while sophomore center Linda Mattson contributed 10 points to the effort.

Winstead attributes the 'Cats' successful record to this point to balance.

"To this point we have been balanced," Winstead said. "All five starters have been able to score. Now we just need to start playing with a little more consistency. It doesn't matter what we do just as long as we do it well."

The women's next matchup is at 7:30 p.m. Saturday against Iowa Wesleyan in Bearcat Arena.



Junior guard Mike Morley (No. 20) goes up for a shot against Graceland College Wednesday night. Northwest won the game, 107-75.

Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Editor sends wish list to Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Each year the University sports editor for the *Missourian* sends a list of holiday requests to you. So I thought I would keep the tradition alive, as things have gone well in years past.

I've tried to be good, and I never ask you for much, but I've been storing up, so here's my tall order.

1) Can we please have some more fan support for the "lesser sports?" I mean really, football is not the only sport in the fall. There are volleyball and cross country, and those players need to be cheered on too. Not to take anything away from the football team, but both the men's and women's cross country teams went to the National meet. And the volleyball team is improving after this year's rebuilding season.

2) Local coverage of Bearcat sports on television. I mean none of the Kansas City channels listed the score of the Division II football playoffs until this last week, when the 'Cats weren't playing. Many Bearcat athletes are from the Kansas City area, but you wouldn't think that from the coverage. When we beat Pitt State, it didn't even make the news.

3) Why can't we have a varsity women's soccer team? They survived this year as a club sport. Couldn't you whisper to athletic director Jim Redd or put a message in his stocking that these women really want to play?

4) Talk to the people in charge of football scheduling and tell them that a game during Thanksgiving weekend is not a wise idea. Do they know how much fan support was lost for the 'Cats because of bad timing? Who knows, without Turkey Day we might have beaten Northern Colorado.

5) Help the basketball teams do well, and maybe even win the conference this year. Oh, don't let the men's team get too sunburned while it's in the Bahamas over winter break.

6) And last, let the women repeat their triple crown in cross country and track. A conference title for the men would be nice, too. And I hope it's not too early, but spring sports titles would be good.

I hope I haven't asked for too much. As for the milk and cookies, Mrs. Claus said you can't have them, but I hid them in my desk in the basement of Wells Hall. Don't tell anyone though.

Wendy
Wendy

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the *Northwest Missourian*.

Indoor track season starts at Iowa State meet



Junior Robby Lane runs in an outdoor track meet last spring. Lane and 51 other men are preparing to begin the indoor track season.

File Photo

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

After two months of practicing outside, the track teams are heading indoors and preparing for their first meet of the season.

The women's team boasts 32 members including some freshmen who will add depth to the squad along with the several returners.

Head coach Bud Williams said the team will face a tough road in repeating last year's conference championship.

"Any time you return a majority of a championship team, there is the expectation to repeat," Williams said. "It will be difficult to repeat all of last year's accomplishments without hard work. No one will roll over and play dead just because we attend a meet."

While Williams was finishing the cross country season, assistant coach

Dan Davies worked with the team.

"We have had a successful and injury-free preseason," Davies said. "The incoming women will fill the holes from last year and give us some depth. If we don't have any injuries early, we are capable of doing as good, if not better, in conference, especially with the areas we've added."

Williams anticipates a successful season in which individual as well as team goals will be achieved.

Ten of the women will get a jump start on the season Friday by competing in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Men prepare for indoor season

The men's indoor track team has been practicing for nearly two months, working to improve its chances at a high conference finish.

The team has 52 members, which offers the team a lot of depth to add to the strong competitors who will

return for the 'Cats.

Head coach Rich Alsop said practice has gone well and he looks forward to having a good season.

"We have had a good fall and the men are in really good shape," Alsop said. "We have lots of people who could contribute and are looking forward to improving as a team and achieving our goal of being a presence in conference as a team."

Assistant coach Mitch Dosland said the team is looking good in practice, but it needs competition.

"We have good people in every event, and a lot of raw talent from the freshmen who've never been coached," Dosland said. "We just have to wait and see how they perform and see if they step it up; see how the team comes together when we start having meets."

Fourteen of the men will try to prove their ability Friday in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Athletic Shorts

Champions crowned in intramural sport

Another round of intramural events ended Nov. 20 as the volleyball champions were crowned.

The Delta Chi Nationals claimed the fraternity division championship by defeating the Sigma Phi Epsilon Crush.

The Nationals reached the finals after beating the Sig Ep Purple Helmets, while the Crush overpowered Sig Ep Ep Yours to reach the game.

In the sorority division, the Sigma Kappa Sphinxer Kickers were crowned champions after they beat Sigma Black in the final game.

The Sphinxer Kickers reached the finals after they defeated Phi Mu No. 1. Sigma Black toppled the Sigma

Kappa Snakey Ks to reach the final game.

After the volleyball championships, the final fall supremacy points were tallied. In the fraternity division, the Sig Eps came out on top, while Sigma Kappa took the top slot in the sorority division.

Supremacy Points

Fraternity	Sorority
Sig Ep 852	Sigma Kappa 551
Delta Chi 761	Alpha Sig 513
Phi Sig 565	Tri Sigma 458
TKE 405	Phi Mu 363
AKL 328	Delta Zeta 175
Delta Sig 200	
Kappa Sig 165	
Sig Tau 160	
Ag Rho 120	

Gridders, coach win awards after season

The Bearcat football season is over, but the awards keep piling up for the squad.

Junior quarterback Chris Greisen was named to the Burger King Division II Coaches' All-America Team by the American Football Coaches Association Wednesday. Greisen was named the first team quarterback on the team.

He threw for 2,456 yards and 23 touchdowns for the Bearcats.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma was named the Region 4 Coach of the Year by the AFCA for the second-straight year.

Even though the 'Cats dominated their opponents on the field, the Bear-

cats also hit the books hard. Sixteen were named to the MIAA all-academic squad as well.

The list included Bob Baker, Matt Becker, Greg Bonnett, Scott Courter, Devin Doll, Craig Evans, Greisen, Nick Inzerello, Charlie Pugh, Cole Sidwell, Kurtis Stewart, Brian Sutton, Adam Teale, Chad Thompson, Wayland Vacek and Matt Voge.

Basketball team adds exhibition matchup

The men's basketball team scheduled an exhibition game with the Dreambuilders for 7 p.m., Jan. 2 in Bearcat Arena. The contest will be the 'Cats' first game after the Sunshine Shootout Dec. 20-23 in Nassau, Bahamas.

Cagers play games during winter break

While most Northwest students will be home for the holidays, the basketball teams will continue to play.

The women's team will play Iowa Wesleyan Saturday and the women of Quincy College Dec. 19. Both games will be played at home.

The men's first holiday matchup will be Dec. 20-23 at the Sunshine Shootout in Nassau, Bahamas.

The men and women travel to Missouri Rolla, Jan. 5 and Lincoln University, Jan. 7. They take on Southwest Baptist, Jan. 10 and Emporia State, Jan. 12 at home. The teams play at Truman State, Jan. 17 and Washburn, Jan. 21 at home.

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Wrestlers start season with dominant victory

Dec. 4
Maryville: 47
Maysville: 33

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The Spoofhounds unleashed a barrage of points at their first wrestling meet of the season against Maysville High School, winning 47-33.

"The team did pretty good, but we had a lot of personal mistakes," senior Chris Barmann said. "A lot of us are just getting back into duals, learning to listen better to coach and getting into better condition."

Despite some little mistakes, head coach Joe Drake was pleased with the team's overall performance considering how early it is in the season.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable," Drake said. "Now, we simply have to go back and make those corrections. This definitely tells us what direction we need to work in."

The 'Hounds got things going early with a pin by freshman Brandon Hull (103 lbs.), who looked very good in his first match, Drake said.

"I'm pretty proud of myself," Hull said. "I didn't get a big head, and I just went out there and did my best."

Senior Mark Anderson (119 lbs.) followed with a victory, but

senior Ryan Castillo (135 lbs.) suffered a loss.

"(Castillo) did not wrestle his type of match," Drake said. "He kind of let his opponent dictate what was going on, and it eventually cost him the match."

Maysville gained some ground from three consecutive pins on Spoofhound seniors Matt Herring (145 lbs.), Adam Chadwick (152 lbs.) and Barmann (171 lbs.).

Inexperience showed in Chadwick's match, while Barmann came out aggressively, only he tried to overpower his opponent rather than use technique to win, Drake said.

Drake said Herring got a good start, but made a major mistake by overextending himself. He then got caught and was pinned.

Drake was pleased with freshman Jesse Reed's match (189 lbs.), when he beat his opponent with a pin.

"Jesse came out aggressive," Drake said. "He really looked pretty good for a freshman wrestler."

The meet concluded when freshman Noah Bonde (215 lbs.) was pinned.

The 'Hounds also benefited from the fact Maysville was not able to fill four weight classes, which resulted in wins for juniors Justin Dredge (112 lbs.) and Jeremy Tobin (125 lbs.), freshman Herman Crumb (130 lbs.) and sophomore Jacob Stiens (160 lbs.).

Drake wanted to use the 'Hounds first meet as a tool.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable."

Joe Drake, wrestling coach, Maryville High School

"We were not as aggressive as I thought we should've been on our feet," Drake said. "We were shooting too far away, which got us into trouble a few times. A few other times, instead of using technique to finish things, we tried to power it and that got us in trouble. We've got to go back and use techniques to win."

The upperclassmen also hope to help the younger wrestlers develop the skills they need to succeed.

"We just need to tell them, 'Don't get intimidated,'" Barmann said. "We just need to let them know to listen to coach. He knows what are best moves are."

Even with four open weight classes, Drake said Maysville presented a challenge.

"They were very (good) with the people they had here," Drake said. "They did a very good job."

The 'Hounds will battle at 7 p.m. Thursday against Cameron at home.



Maryville senior Ryan Castillo prepares to battle Maysville junior Jerry McFee during last Thursday's match. The 'Hounds won the match 47-33.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Bench Warmer

Maryville coach deserves praise for milestone win

The scene has been replayed time and time again: A team has a bad year and the head coach gets the ax for it.

From what I have discovered in my brief one-and-a-half-year stint as a Maryville resident, not many of the high school coaches have anything to worry about — especially Mike Kuwitzky, the boys' basketball coach.

As far as Kuwitzky's players knew, the only thing special about last Tuesday night's game against Shenandoah, Iowa, was that it was a chance keep their record unblemished.

However, for their coach, it was a little bit sweeter than that. After his team walked off the court victorious, Kuwitzky told his players they had given him his 200th career win.

After having the pleasure of covering Kuwitzky's squad last season, I cannot think of anyone more deserving of this recognition.

Not only was Kuwitzky one of the nicest and most accommodating people I have ever met, he always had a smile and a conversation for an annoying freshman reporter.

When he took the head coaching job at Maryville 12 years ago, Kuwitzky would have probably been the last person to think he would someday win 200 games.

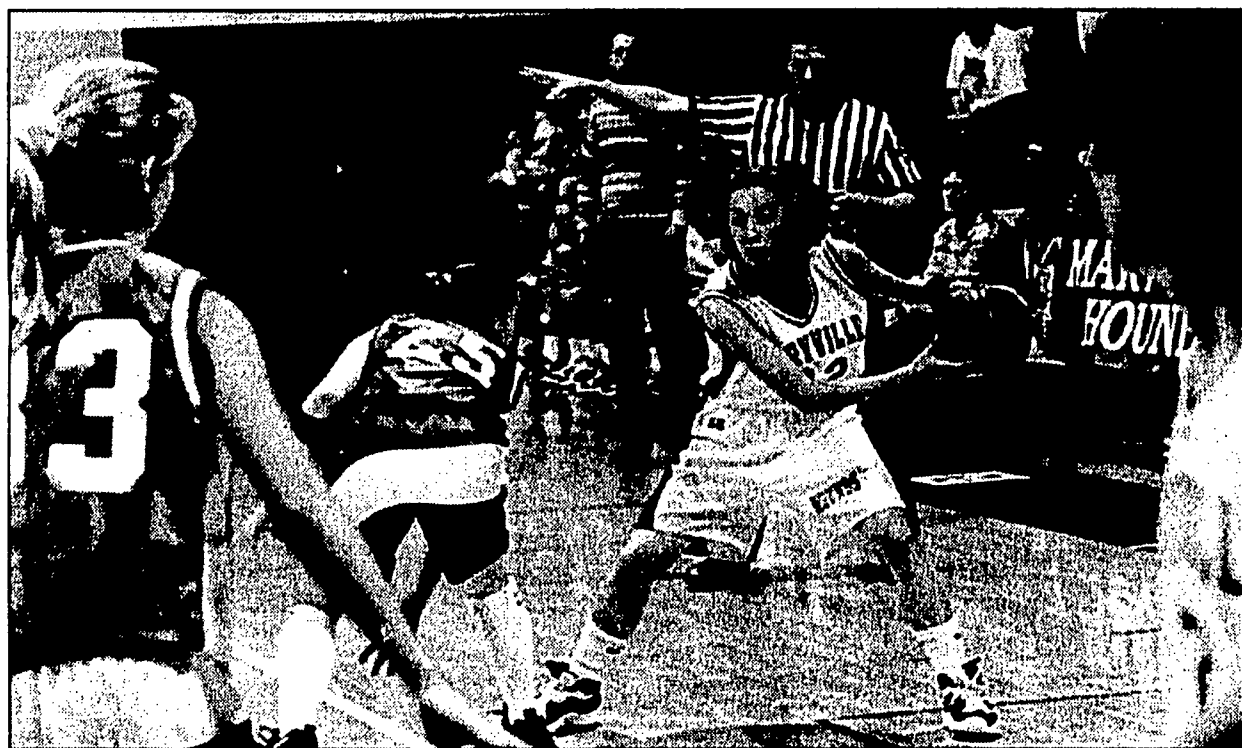
Oddly, that might be his best attribute. He does not coach for his record, he coaches because he enjoys it.

It is too bad there are not more people like him. If there were, a lot more high school athletes would have walked off the court just like his team did last Tuesday — smiling.



Scott Summers

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian



Senior guard Allison Jonagan dishes the ball inside to a teammate during Friday's 3-point win over Benton High School. Maryville's next game will be Saturday when the team travels to Clarinda, Iowa.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

'Hounds end 10-year drought

Dec. 5
Maryville: 43
Benton: 40

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Snow prevented the Maryville Spoofhounds from battling the Lafayette Fighting Irish Tuesday.

Therefore, the girls' basketball team did not have a chance to improve their record against Lafayette, but earned a long-awaited win last

Friday against Benton High School, 43-40.

The Spoofhounds put an end to their 10-year losing streak against the Cardinals.

Junior forward Erin Hefflin led the team with 15 points and 12 rebounds. Senior guard Cynthia Prokes poured in 12 points, six assists and five steals.

After learning the team had lost 21-straight games against Benton before Friday, one player realized the significance of the squads' achievement.

"The score was really close the whole game, and we almost lost," junior guard Megan McLaughlin said. "The team was really excited to come out on top."

Senior guard Allison Jonagan said the win did more than just mark a tally on the chalkboard.

"There is still room for improvement, but it was a big win and it did a lot for our confidence," Jonagan said.

The 'Hounds next game will be at 7:45 p.m. Saturday at Clarinda (Iowa) High School.

Defense propels hoopsters to 14-point win over Savages

Dec. 5
Maryville: 54
Savannah: 40

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Much to the dismay of the players, the weather forced the 'Hounds to take a day off this week.

The boys' basketball team was scheduled to play Clarinda (Iowa) High School Tuesday, but snow forced the game to be rescheduled.

"We all wanted to play, but the game was canceled, and there's not a lot we can do about that," senior forward John Otte said.

Kuwitzky and his players did not think the cancellation would have much of an effect on the team.

"It doesn't affect us that much," junior center Mike Nanninga said. "We just gotta get up and go at it again."

The 'Hounds improved their record to 3-0 Friday when they beat Savannah on their home court, 54-40.

"We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

Mike Kuwitzky, boys' basketball coach, Maryville High School

"It went pretty well," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We're extremely happy to get a win on Savannah's floor."

The team thrived on defense again, holding the Savages to only four points in each of the first two quarters. Maryville went into half-time with a 22-8 lead.

"That was excellent for us, and we got off to a real good start," Kuwitzky said.

However, the team struggled offensively, Kuwitzky said. The 'Hounds shot 32 percent from the floor, and they were 1-for-14 on 3-pointers.

"We overcame that pretty good,"

Kuwitzky said. "We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

Maryville grabbed 32 rebounds, compared to Savannah's 15. Fifteen of Maryville's rebounds were offensive, which led to many opportunities at the charity stripe.

The 'Hounds made 19 of 30 free throw attempts, a statistic Kuwitzky said was an improvement from previous outings.

In the second half, the 'Hounds found themselves in a bit of trouble. "They played us up a little," Kuwitzky said. "We weren't executing as well, and we let down on defense a bit."

After the Savages went on a small run, the 'Hounds broke away.

"We had three or four possessions that we just executed on beautifully," Kuwitzky said. "That was a real turning point in the game."

Senior forward Grant Sutton led the team in scoring with 15 points, while junior forward Tylor Hardy chipped in 13 points.

Maryville will resume play at 5 p.m. Friday against LeBlond High School at home.

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Surrounded by angels

by Jennifer Simler



The Christmas trees have gone up, colorful lights have brightened houses and angels have filled our hearts and homes — it's Christmas time.

Although Santa has usually been the desired figurine during this time of year, times and trends have changed. Angel figurines have become the demand.

They come in all shapes and sizes, from stamps to ornaments to elaborate figurines.

People of all ages are collecting and wearing angel paraphernalia. Some wear angel pins for religious reasons while others wear them because they were given to them by a significant person in their lives.

"I wear a pin almost everyday," said Susan Colt, child and family studies major. "It's a reminder, I guess, to live the kind of life I should."

Colt not only wears angel pins, but has an extensive collection of angels throughout her entire house. She places an angel in every single room of her family's house and has a glass showcase imbedded in one of the walls in her living room filled with angels.

Colt's angels have been gathered from everywhere in the world from shops like Hallmark to Christkindlesmarkt in Germany. Although her collection didn't start growing until about five years ago, she has angel earrings, an angel night light and even an angel mounted on the frame of her front door.

Her reason for collecting angels is not because of fads or current trends, although she said it does make angel paraphernalia easier to find. Colt said she collects angel because of her beliefs.

"I've just always been really religious," Colt said. "I really believe we all have guardian angels."

She believes that angels don't always come in the form of figurines.

"I think they appear in many different forms," Colt said. "I have had a couple of experiences when I felt like there were angels around with me. Also, when I start wondering about my children, I put it in God's hands and ask that he puts his angels around them to protect them."

Colt isn't alone in her experiences with angels. Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, is certain he has a guardian angel that is constantly watching over him.

"I know I have a guardian angel," Vanosdale said. "It's my granny. She watches over me and protects me. When I'm down and sad she's with me. She raised me to be a good, God-fearing Christian man and to treat people right and with respect. I can still feel her hugging me. I know she watches over me. It is the most comforting thing you'll ever feel."

There are many avid collectors and people who believe in angels around the world. *Life* magazine ran a special in the 1995 December issue dedicated solely to angels. The article included people who collect them as well as people who have had experiences with what they thought were angels.

Life discovered that "69 percent do believe in angels, with 32 percent saying they've felt an angel's presence."

Some of the stories in the article range from artist Andy Lakey who said "angels told him to paint 2,000 angel paintings by the year 2000, one for each year since Jesus' birth," he was on painting No. 1,403, to an angel collector from Beloit, Wis., who has more than 11,161 angel artifacts.

There are numerous places in Maryville and surrounding areas that angel collectors have turned to expand their collections.

The Angel Lady, a store in Independence located at 216 S. Spring St., caters solely to those in search of angel paraphernalia. There are more than 20,000 different kinds of angels from all over the world.

"It's not a new age angel store that sells crystals or where they believe they can contact their

angels," Carolyn Pratt, owner of The Angel Lady said. "It's a traditional angel store where I believe the angels touch you."

Pratt began collecting angels 37 years ago when her first child was born. This is when she and her husband decided they weren't going to decorate the house with Santa, but with angels because they brought "glad tidings of great joy."

She has traveled all over the world gathering angels for her store where the rule is — "it has to have wings on it to be sold."

By traveling and studying different angels, she learned that angels can only be found in cultures that have hope. Her example was in Cracow, Poland, where she recently returned from, that during World War II was a place that Germans executed Jews. "Now, it is a beautiful city where angels are available in the marketplace," Pratt said. "I can tell there is hope there."

On the other hand, after visiting Russia and Germany, because of the country's current dismay, she was unable to find angels reaffirming her belief that angels represent hope.

Pratt said having the store keeps her on her best behavior. It also gives her a chance to offer her advice to customers as to what to look for in an angel they want to buy.

"I tell everyone not to buy an angel unless it winks at you," Pratt said. "Of course it's not going to wink, but you're going to be able to relate to one better than others. I like a different one everyday."

However, one doesn't have to go as far as Independence to find angels. Locally, Rod's Hallmark, the Watermelon Patch and Family Tree, to name a few, have an abundance of angels in many shapes and sizes to add to one's collection or to be a stocking stuffer.

The most popular angel being sold at Hallmark this season is the Seraphim Classic called "Monica Under Love's Wing." It is dedicated to the Sunshine Foundation, which grants wishes to critically ill children, and sends a child and their family on a dream vacation.

"People are aware of the piece," said Debbie Easterla, manager of Rod's Hallmark. "They come in and ask where the piece that its proceeds go to the Sunshine Foundation is."

Hallmark realizes the popularity of angel items and places them appropriately so they are easy to find.

"We always keep them right in the front of the door, so that right when you walk in the door that's the first thing you see," Easterla said.

Angels are female and this has not bothered people, but recently Easterla has had the request for a serious male angel figurine. Serious because the only male angel figurines seen in the past have all been humorous, like a bald, male angel dressed in a suit and sitting on a bench.

Angels aren't necessarily only found in figurines or pins. Vanosdale thinks some small children might soon think they have been visited by an angel.

More than 100 children will receive gifts from Northwest students for Christmas. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic, provided an "Angel Tree." Students received a child's name and something from their wish list to provide for them.

"I think it makes these kids feel very special," Vanosdale said. "They're going to get all these neat presents wrapped in pretty paper just for them. I don't know if they are going to think they're from an angel or Santa, but they're not going to expect the gifts. They're going to feel like they've been such a good little boy or girl."

The gifts are being collected Friday and will be taken to an agency that will distribute them to the children. The students will never know whom they are buying for, nor will the children ever know who gave the present to them.

"I just hope the students that are giving the gifts kind of feel like they're angels," Vanosdale said. "They are going to bring a lot of smiles and happiness on their faces and that's going to be priceless."

City, campus spread holiday spirit to warm season

by Russ Wetzel and Heather Butler
Missourian Staff

During the holidays, we give presents to the ones we love, but several local businesses and organizations are going beyond by brightening the season for the less fortunate of the community.

The Maryville Jaycees are selling Christmas trees for \$4 per foot with proceeds going to support the area's Toys For Tots campaign and the Nodaway County Food Pantry.

Jaycee Jim Wiederholt said the organization has already sold about 150 of its 250 trees. Any remaining trees will go to Community Services, which distributes them as needed.

In addition, the Jaycees are offering a Rent-a-Santa to travel to homes or businesses and bring a little holiday cheer. The cost is \$10 for a family visit and \$20 for a company visit. All of the proceeds go to help the Jaycees adopt a needy family over the holidays. Those wishing to help can call 562-2780.

The Jaycees adopt a family each year over the holidays that has had a difficult year, Wiederholt said.

"Last year we raised about \$220," he said. "We use the proceeds to buy food gift certificates for the families."

Wal-Mart is one of several businesses that lends a helping hand during the holiday season as well. Assistant manager Angela Schuler said they have several things going on this year.

"A percentage of sales from last Saturday went to support Toys For Tots," Schuler said. "We also have a barrel set up where people can donate toys."

The Red Cross, which supplies coats and clothing to needy families, has a tree set up at Wal-Mart. The organization has already assisted five area families that have been the victims of recent fires.

Another area group, the Salvation Army, also has an "Angel Tree" in place at the store. Patrons can pick an envelope from the tree that describes the needs of a particular child.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

The Toys For Tots barrels and Red Cross Christmas tree stand at the front of the Maryville Wal-Mart store. Community members can donate

toys, clothing or other necessary items for area children that are in need. Several area businesses and organizations are helping the less fortunate.

Clothing sizes and toy preferences are included in the envelope.

"We are thrilled to help in any way to make our community better," Schuler said. "They give a lot to us and we want to give something back."

Three area food stores are also active in increasing the holiday spirit. Hy-Vee supports a wide range of church, civic, school and individual charities. Recently, the store presented \$2,500, a share of three days of sales, to the United Way.

Food-4-Less and Easter's Food Stores frequently have food "demo-fests" with vendors offering samples throughout the stores. Proceeds from these sales go to aid charitable programs sponsored by area churches. Easter's has a barrel for Toys For Tots.

Food-4-Less allows its customers to contribute to the food industry's Crusade Against Hunger program. Customers can choose to add \$1, or \$3-\$5 to their grocery bill to help hunger nationwide.

Even smaller, personal businesses are helping others in need this year.

Watkins Hardware has been do-

ing to Christmas causes for 40 years. This year's support includes donations to St. Gregory's Catholic Church "Fun Fest" and the Toys For Tots campaign.

St. Francis Hospital is sponsoring a fund-raising campaign to help eliminate health care costs of those who are unable to afford care. St. Francis the mandate of "turn no one away" for more than 100 years. The hospital has covered \$200,000 in charitable aid this year.

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Santa shopping spree. Fifty-two businesses in Maryville are participating by offering drawings for Chamber bucks. Prizes range from \$350-\$500. Registration is free at participating businesses.

The need for community help is abundant and residents can help with the beautification of Maryville.

Maryville is asking for donations for Christmas lights for the courthouse. A slot for contributions is provided near the door.

Many area churches have a variety of charitable programs in place during this season.

The First Christian Church youth

having a tree on campus to Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils.

Those in charge of the tree contacted Human Services, which gave them the names of teens in the Nodaway County area who needed help this Christmas.

All presents are due Friday to the campus activities office located on the second floor of the Student Union.

The Baptist Student Union at Northwest is donating Aladdin money to less fortunate families in Nodaway County. They did the same at Thanksgiving and raised \$5,800 to help feed 81 families.

The Christian Campus House is participating in Northwest's Angel Tree and is buying presents for the families of the inmates at the Maryville Treatment Center. They are also helping bake cookies for the inmates.

Phi Eta Sigma, an honorary group on campus, is giving boots and gloves to the children at Eugene Field Elementary.

Although the chance to give takes only a little effort, it is sometimes hard to remember that many people could use help.

"I don't think people help as much as they could," said Erin Campbell, psychology and criminal justice major. "I haven't, even though there are so many opportunities to do so at church and on campus. To some people, it's an afterthought."

Many people believe helping others not only lifts the spirits of those they are helping, but their own as well.

"It makes you feel good about yourself," psychology major Julie Jacobs said. "It gives you a sense of pride to know you are doing something good that will benefit someone."

This year for Christmas, Maryville residents and Northwest students are encouraged to donate something to a local charity. It can be an old coat, some canned goods, leftover pocket change or maybe just time.

Holiday Events

With Christmas just around the corner, several area schools and churches are gearing up for the season with a wide variety of programs. Here is a list of just a few:

Maryville R-II High School
Dec. 13: All-district concert (all day)

Dec. 22: 7 p.m. Christmas Concert, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center

Washington Middle School
Dec. 18: 7 p.m. Music Program (Seventh and Eighth grade)

Dec. 19: 2 p.m. Music Program (Fifth and Sixth grade)

Horace Mann
Dec. 16: 7 p.m. Christmas Program

First Christian Church
Dec. 14: Children's Program
Dec. 21: Christmas Cantata
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Service
First Presbyterian Church
Dec. 14: 10:30 a.m. Christmas Program

Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

First Baptist Church
Dec. 14: 10:45 a.m. Worship Choir Cantata

Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion Service

First Methodist Church
Dec. 17: 6:30 p.m. Las Posadas
Dec. 24: 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 11 p.m. Communion Service

Laura Street Baptist Church
Dec. 13-14: 7 p.m. "The Perfect Christmas"

Dec. 24: 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Candlelight Service

Ravenwood Christian Church
Dec. 20-21: 6:30 p.m. Musical Santa at Franklin Park
Dec. 12, 13, 18, 19, 20: 6-8 p.m.



The Stroller

Learning how to survive at college



The Stroller

Your Man gives advice about making educational years worthwhile

This is my last article of the year. Let me tell you how happy I am that I don't have to rack my brain every week thinking of ways to offend everyone.

I am finishing up the college chapter of my book of life, and in doing so I would like to leave everyone with some closing advice to make their life at Northwest as fun and as productive as mine.

■ **Public Safety** — Don't run from them or throw your beer, especially at the cop, when they see you. They are smart and know that if you drop your beer it is probably because you are not 21.

■ **Cliff notes** are sometimes better than reading the book. Don't let your teachers tell you any different.

■ **Laundry** — It stinks, so find some poor sucker to do it for you, or get a girlfriend to do it.

■ **Don't drink the water.**

■ **If you came to find your future husband or wife** at Northwest, check admissions about transferring.

■ **Don't tell people** how good at sports or cool you were in high school. The people you know will most likely meet someone from your hometown that would love to tell them different.

■ **Keep in touch** with old high school friends, so they don't tell people you were a dork.

■ **Don't piss any sorority girls off** — if one hates you, all of them hate you.

■ **Take an extra pair of shoes** and don't hang on the rims at the Rec Center.

■ **Charge as much crap** to your parents at the bookstore as you can while they will still pay for the stuff.

■ **Write at least one offensive article** for the *Missourian*, it's funny to hear people talk bad about you.

■ **Write the cable company** and tell them their service sucks.

■ **Buy your condoms** at the front desks of the dorms, it's a lot cheaper.

■ **Don't re-insert a parking ticket** on your windshield so you can park illegally again, it's just plain dishonest. Also it doesn't work — I've tried it.

■ **Be nice to everyone** you encounter. They may eventually work at the place that you want a job.

■ **The refund you get** at the beginning of each semester is not beer money.

■ **Alcohol doesn't make you sleep better**, and it doesn't make other people more attractive.

■ **If the Health Center** tells you that you have mono or AIDS, get a second opinion.

■ **If you have a computer** in your dorm room, stay the hell away from the ones in the library.

■ **Make fun of Missouri Western** all the time. That school really sucks.

■ **If you buy a sweatshirt**, make sure that it is reversible so you can wear it two days in a row.

■ **The next time you are confronted** by someone to fill out something for a credit card, tell them that they are the reason your parents split up. They won't bother you again.

■ **The average landlords' I.Q.** in Maryville is comparable to that of a small child, but at least children are honest and can read a lease.

■ **Never bounce a check** at the bar or at the University. The bar will post your name for everyone to see and the University won't tell you that it bounced and will keep sending it back to the bank until it clears, charging you for every time they send it back.

■ **Make fun of anyone** wearing high school letter jackets; it's funny.

■ **Get a job on campus.** A letter of recommendation from someone on campus is a lot better than one from the shift manager at a fast food restaurant.

■ **The only way to graduate** in four years is to keep your academic catalog and learn how to read a degree audit. Most professors don't even know how.

■ **I'd like to thank everyone** for a great year and if I offended anyone I would like to say — Good.

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Diva's delight
5. Pulse
10. Oriental prince
13. "Quicker — you can say Jack Robinson"
14. Overgrown
15. River boat
16. Verdi opera
17. Church official
18. Scorch
19. Judge Bean
20. ___ up (enlivens)
21. "___ beloved..."

23. Proton donors
25. Oriental sash
26. Yearly record
28. Benefit
31. Diocese
34. Part of a Spanish family tree
35. Zeniths
36. Malay coin
37. Ending for kitchen or major

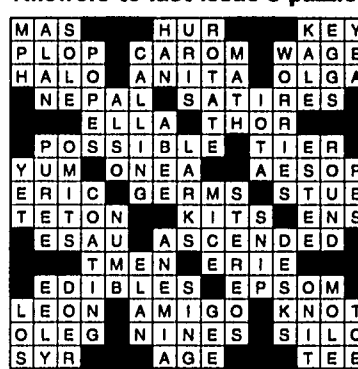
38. Weigh heavily upon
39. Mixture of smoke and fog
40. Certain degree
41. Vaulted
42. Shovel
43. Hair coloring
44. What a muscle shirt exposes
45. Part of a boiler maker
46. Riviera acquisition
48. French white wine word
49. Labor walkout

52. Cabbage concoction
53. Hirt and Pacino
56. Bony herring
57. Tribal symbol
59. Place for a bowsprit
60. "My Heart Belongs ___" (Streisand hit) (2 words)
61. Inch
62. ___ fide
63. Eat late
64. Cowboys' charges
65. Chemise

DOWN

1. Top banana
2. Midwest state
3. 1955 Disney film (4 words)
4. Not ___ dare (2 words)
5. Scottish woolens
6. Assists
7. Braves' enemies
8. Homage
9. Operation Deep Freeze commander
10. Scrooge's story (3-

Answers to last issue's puzzle



11. Objective
12. Wrong
15. Hoffa enemy
20. Jumble
22. Seeming eternities
24. Show concern
26. Modify
27. Smartly dressed
28. Traffic sounds
29. Malt kiln
30. Gives the nod
32. Corrode
33. Avod
35. Bristol buggy
38. ___ annum
39. Spread
41. Long and thin
42. Pygmalion playwright
45. Grips
47. Nurse's
48. Sap
49. Paris-to-NYC jets
50. Biblical pronoun
51. Drop acid?
52. English money (abbr.)
54. Anderson of "WKRP"
55. ___ meet
58. Smelted material
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Kansas City

Dec. 11-Jan. 1 — "Little House Christmas," Coterie Theatre.
Dec. 11-24 — "Nutcracker," Midland Theatre.
Dec. 13 — Koko Taylor, The Hurricane.
Dec. 15 — Amy Grant, Kemper Arena.
Dec. 16 — Bow Wow Wow, The Hurricane.

Area Events

Omaha

Dec. 13 — Seven Mary Three, Ranch Bowl.
Dec. 16 — Wallflowers, AKSaben Coliseum.
Dec. 16 — Jim Brickman, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Dec. 17 — Lorie Line, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Jan. 6 — Harlem Globetrotters, AKSaben Coliseum.



Des Moines

Dec. 11 — Corey Stevens, SuperToad.
Dec. 14 — Handels Messiah, Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 16 — "Nutcracker on Ice," Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 18 — Micheal Peterson, SuperToad.
Dec. 31 — New Years Eve Gala, Des Moines Civic Center.

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Senate selects Regents finalists

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The finalists for the University Student Regent position have been narrowed down to three.

Sophomores Jonathan Baker, Karen Barmann and Mina Ewing have been named as finalists to possibly serve on the University Board of Regents.

The appointment of the Student Regent position will be made by Gov. Mel Carnahan, after interviews, Saturday.

The Student Regent is an active member of the Board of Regents and is an advocate for the students. This person also helps the Board to understand decisions students want for the campus.

The governor has set qualifications for the position. The applicant must have two

full years remaining at their respective institution, must be registered to vote and a resident of Missouri.

The finalists were narrowed down from six applicants after they were interviewed by a committee including Angel Harris-Lewis, Student Senate president, and several other faculty members.

After the finalists were decided, Senate informed the governor's office.

The committee's decisions were based on a variety of areas, such as leadership involvement and citizenship, Harris-Lewis said.

She also said they not only thought about the knowledge of the applicants and their answers to various questions, but also how they were dressed, their communication skills, their grade point aver-

age and the amount of eye contact that was made.

"We were looking for people that wouldn't be intimidated," Harris-Lewis said. "We wanted outgoing people that could go out and get as many opinions as they can."

Everyone who submitted an application was eligible for an interview, Harris-Lewis said.

The finalists said they applied for the position to have a better influence on the decisions made by the Board.

"I really want to become more involved in the campus," Baker said. "I'm familiar with the campus and I feel I could actually give some good sugges-

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Ground breaking



The Maryville School Board and community members help to break ground Saturday at the site of the new Maryville middle school.

School district plans for future

■ Construction projects represent beginning of school bond's effect

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Gold-plated shovels were brought out and a bulldozer is at the site of the new middle school as the educational dreams of the community are coming true.

Almost 135 people gathered in frigid weather Sunday as the Maryville R-II School District took a giant step into the future when they broke ground on three new projects.

"Obviously, by the turnout we had, it was a great day," Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent said. "Our (high school) band is playing at the Chiefs game, (and) the Chiefs are on TV, but we still had a tremendous turnout. We just had to do it today and get on our way. The people are very excited about it."

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■ Gary Bell, Maryville R-II district superintendent

The ground breaking ceremonies, which took place at each of the three building sites, began with Bell and Bob Martin, School Board president, recognizing the Board, the community and others for their support of the project.

"We feel that we have made giant steps to the future of our young people's school today and those many who will follow after them," Bell said. "We're very appreciative that the Board and the administration has consented to allow us to go ahead with these projects."

Martin showed his gratitude for the efforts of those who gave up their time for the project.

"On behalf of the Board, we'd like to commend everybody for their hard work," Martin said. "As we stand here now, it doesn't seem like too long ago we got started on this."

Teachers, students, Board members and residents were among the people present at the ground breaking ceremonies.

"This was the most exciting day in education I've had," said Keith

Nowland, Washington Middle School principal. "The staff has worked so long and hard with the community to get this issue passed. It's going to be the educational opportunities for the students, and the staff and the community for generations to come."

Three students, one from each of the three schools included in the project, also participated in the ceremonies.

"I thought (the ground breaking) was neat," said Clint Lawyer, a fourth-grader at Eugene Field Elementary School. "I think it will be a neat school for all of us to go to."

Although the district broke ground, the Board realizes that much work still lies ahead.

"It's very exciting to see all the planning come forth into three projects and get started," Board member James Redd said. "It's just the start of a lot of new opportunities and new work, too. It's one thing to get moving, but then all the details

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Members of Northwest Celebration rehearse Tuesday for the Yuletide Feaste. The performance will run Thursday through Sunday beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Union Ballroom.

Jennie Nelson/
Missourian Staff

Yuletide Feaste

Singers continue holiday tradition

by Nathaniel Hanway
Missourian Staff

Imagine going back to the Renaissance period — full of elaborate medieval dinners, music and festive holiday spirit.

The Yuletide Feaste, sponsored by the Northwest Madralier Singers, has been a University tradition for 24 years. Like past performances, the Feaste will transform the Union Ballroom into a replica of an ancient Renaissance hall.

"When the guests walk in, they will walk over a moat and drawbridge," said Richard Weymuth, Yuletide Feaste director. "They will walk under a spiked gate and into

the hall where the actors will be performing."

Just as in medieval times, there are many customs and traditions that are passed down year to year. For Jerry Nevins, who is in his fourth year in the show, the privilege of writing the script has been passed down to him.

"Writing the script is a lot of fun; I just wrote the framework, and that is where the creative process begins with everyone in the cast," Nevins said. "I also wrote it last year, and it's passed down from year to year to someone in the cast."

Along with the atmosphere and food, several members of Northwest's music department will

showcase their talents.

"Celebration will be singing Christmas music and a Recorder Consort will be performing music from the time," Weymuth said. "The Brass Quintet will also perform."

In previous years, the event has sold out and this year is no different. Saturday's showcase is already sold out.

Part of the show's success is the affordability, Weymuth said.

"We have always tried to make the Feaste affordable to the college students," Weymuth said. "At the big colleges like (University of Missouri-Columbia), they cost \$50 a person."

The Feaste generates an enjoyable environment for the guests, and for the performers as well.

"It's a lot of fun, but it is a lot of hard work and dedication," Celebration member Eric Woodward said. "This is my third year being in the Yuletide Feaste, and it leaves us with a good feeling of the yuletide season."

The Feaste is not only performed on campus, but the group also travels to different schools all over the northwest Missouri area.

The Feaste will begin tonight at 6:30 p.m. and continue through Saturday in the Union Ballroom.

Tickets are \$14 for students and \$17 for non-Northwest students.

CANCER DIAGNOSIS CHANGES LIFE

Coroner fights battle from within

by Lindsey Corey
Community News Editor

When Dennis Martin thought about dying, he always imagined something heroic.

He pictured a terrifying event. A home engulfed in a blazing inferno with the smell of smoke becoming almost unbearable — flames everywhere. All that could be heard were the screams of a frantic mother and shrill sirens.

"I always figured I'd get killed on some scene," said the volunteer firefighter of 18 years.

Instead, Martin is battling a fire from within — cancer.

Even though Martin has been diagnosed with stage four esophageal carcinoma, they "haven't taken away my gear yet."

Dying in the line of duty "could still happen," Martin said. "People hear 'cancer' and think it's all over. I can't assume life is over because I've been diagnosed with cancer."

There are no early detection tests used to screen the general public for cancer of the esophagus. In most cases, the cancer is discovered because of the symptoms it causes, according to the American Cancer Society. Diagnosis of patients without symptoms is rare and usually accidental. Unfortunately, most esophageal cancers do not cause symptoms until they have advanced to a stage at which a cure is unlikely.

That was the case with Martin.

His cancer was not discovered until it had progressed to stage four — the disease's final stage.

"You hear about how chemotherapy increases the odds of surviving," Martin said. "But this doesn't have a survival factor. There ain't no five years later."

Martin was experiencing difficulties eating in August. This was the first indication that there may be a tumor in his esophagus. The tumor disguised itself as a gastroesophageal reflux, a much less serious condition. Doctors treated the symptoms of the reflux for about a month, but nothing happened.

The next step was to do an endoscopic examination. Doctors looked inside the esophagus through a flexible, lighted tube and ran tests on the tumor around the end of September. Much to the Martin's relief, the biopsy results came back benign.

But the relief was only temporary. Martin was diagnosed with cancer Oct. 6. The tumor was not only malignant, but it had spread.

As the cancer progressed, Martin had found it more and more difficult to do simple, every day tasks that he used to take for granted.

"Just going up a flight of stairs is a day's work," he said.

There isn't an element of Martin's life the disease has left untouched.

"Its impact is that it makes me not the same person," he said. "I'm a reader. It used to be unheard of for me not to get through an 800-page novel in three days."

Now, about all he can finish is a few of the cards he receives. The various medications he is prescribed affect his concentration.

Martin has had to stop his job performing housing inspections at Community Services, Inc. He was working on a high-tech weatherization project when he became ill.

"I hate not being able to work," he said. "I'd like to get up enough strength to go in and build a (weatherization) model."

Another of Martin's duties is serving as the



Dennis Martin (right) sits with the Rev. Charles Tobin of St. Gregory's Catholic Church. Martin was diagnosed with Stage 4 esophageal cancer

in early October. Martin has been the Maryville Coroner since last November's election. He has also been a volunteer firefighter for the city.

Nodaway County coroner, which he was appointed to last year.

"I don't want to leave the Governor out on a limb," he said. "It's taken care of, though. I have a good deputy, Tom Scarborough."

Another void in his life is the fire department because he volunteered there for many years.

"Man, I loved that," he said. "We have one of the better fire departments in the Midwest. They're good. I'm really proud of them."

Martin had to be fed through a tube for two

months. Since then, his doctors have not restricted his diet, but the cancer and medications have.

"If it'll hold still and I can get it in me, it's on my diet," Martin said. "I also look for flavor to get past the medication. It's amazing how important eating is."

Martin feels lucky to have most of his immediate family live in town.

His oldest son and daughter-in-law recently

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■ Community offers support after rare cancer attacks

Our View

OF THE UNIVERSITY

'Celebration' forgets academics in praise

Gov. Mel Carnahan visited Northwest last week, but if you blinked on Tuesday, you would have missed it.

Those who managed to attend, however, noticed something else missing: praise for academics.

During the gathering to celebrate Northwest's receiving the 1997 Missouri Quality Award, Carnahan, along with University President Dean Hubbard, expelled considerable breath to congratulate Northwest for its advances in quality (naturally), renovations (who could miss them?) and technology.

Perhaps it was the short time frame for the celebration that caused the speakers to forget to include the University's fine academic departments in their verbiage. But really, that's no excuse. We may have won the Quality Award for our forward-thinking ideas, but what makes Northwest great is the quality of its academic departments.

However, the "celebration" seemed to say Northwest can be proud of two things: our winning athletic teams and the actions of administrators.

Granted, one of the most exciting parts of Northwest recently has been our teams — football and cross country in particular brought us a lot of pride. However, during Tuesday's mini-celebration, it was easy to forget why we're here: academics.

A brief rundown of some programs will show what they missed:

■ **Accounting:** This department has produced a stellar lineup of graduates who have gone on to high-ranking positions at big U.S. companies.

■ **Agriculture:** It's no secret that farming is a way of life in this part of the country, and our agriculture department is producing graduates who are ready to take their role in — and meet the demands of — this field.

■ **Computer Science/Information Systems:** Carnahan praised the Electronic Campus, but what about the department that is using that electronic campus to its fullest potential?

■ **Curriculum and Instruction:** At Horace Mann Lab School, college students receive real-world training that cannot be duplicated, and the elementary school children receive a great education.

■ **Geography/Geology:** In 1990, it was named the No. 2 program in the nation by a group of independent researchers.

■ **Music:** One of the most vocal — literally — departments is also one of the best recruiters.

■ **Mass Communication:** Every aspect of this department excels in its field: The print media continue to win national recognition and awards, and broadcasting organizations do as well. Perhaps if the celebration had not been two days after Thanksgiving vacation, everyone involved would have had more time to prepare.

We're not trying to be sourpusses about the celebration; it was nice to try to give everyone an opportunity to be excited about this honor that Northwest has received. But this celebration left a sour taste in the mouths of many people at Northwest, and in the future, administrators need to understand that there is more to Northwest than athletics and orange fences.

Our View

OF THE COMMUNITY

Don't be a Scrooge; help others during the holidays

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, but not necessarily for everyone.

There are many less fortunate people in this area who may not be as excited for the coming of Christmas. It is the duty of everyone else to make sure their Christmas is just as wonderful.

Many local individuals and organizations are already making an extra effort to spread the Holiday cheer. We want to commend these people and the unselfishness of their deeds.

The Angel Tree serves as a reminder that there are children in Nodaway County. Without the help from others, they would not be smiling Christmas morning.

There is an abundance of groups willing to help in Maryville as well.

Wal-Mart is donating a percentage of its sales to Toys for Tots. It also has a tree, similar to the Angel Tree sponsored by the Red Cross which is sending coats and clothing to families in need.

The proceeds from the Maryville Jaycees' Christmas trees will help support local Toys for Tots and the Nodaway County Food Pantry. The Jaycees are also sponsoring a Rent-a-Santa with proceeds going to the family they have adopted.

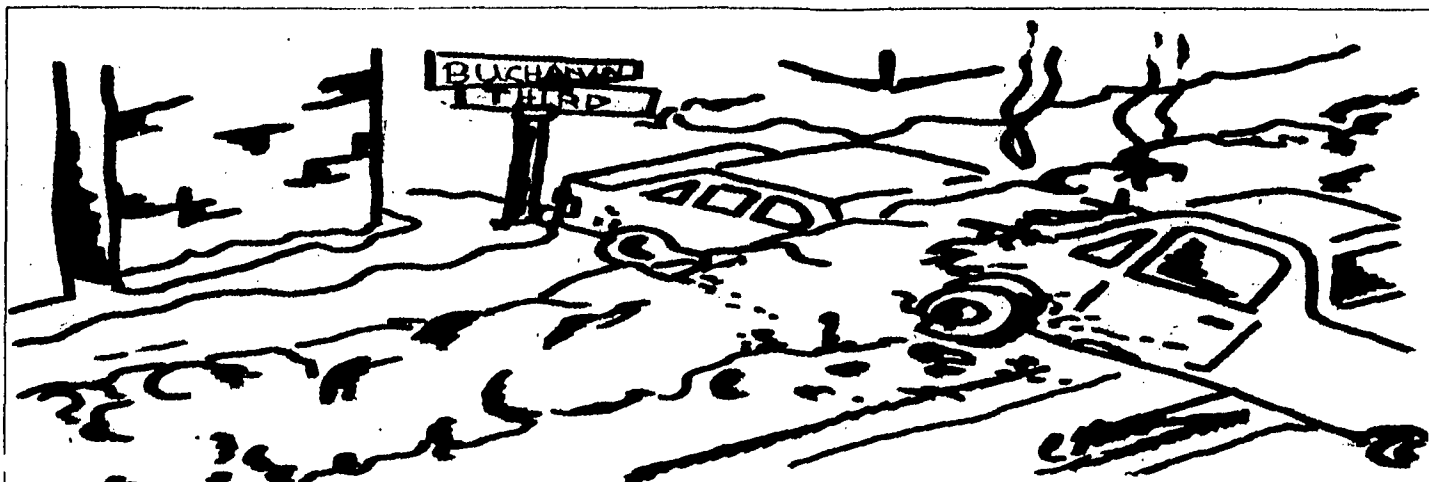
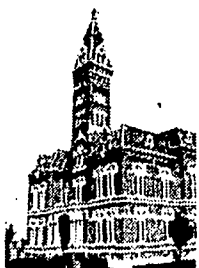
Local grocery stores such as Food 4 Less and Easter's Foods also are helping charities by hosting "demonstrations."

The Chamber of Commerce is heading a Santa shopping spree and along with local businesses are offering drawings for Chamber bucks with prizes ranging from \$350-\$500.

The holiday season is a time of giving, and there are many great opportunities here to spread the yuletide cheer in Maryville.

All area residents should help the less fortunate and rally behind these local businesses.

Don't be a Scrooge — it is up to you to make sure that others can enjoy this time of year.



Maryville Department of Transportation Fact No. 70: Did you know Maryville is the only city in the union to plow their snow to the middle of the street?

My Turn

Last 2 cents: Graduating seniors bid farewell after 4.5 years



■ Chris Geinosky

Advice on college life — from friendships to internships — is this senior's graduation present to undergrads

Well, I can't believe it. Years of hard work, dedication and perseverance have paid off — OK, those all-nighters paid off.

Soon I will be an alumnus from Northwest, so don't worry. If I can do it, that means you still have hope.

After spending the last four and a half years in the 'Ville, I feel like I know this place inside-out. Let me tell you, if you're seeking consultation or professional help, you're coming to the wrong place.

But I can still offer some pretty good advice to you undergrads. Here's some things you always want to remember.

■ Freshmen, lose the high school letterman jackets. Everybody wants to be a Bearcat!

■ Even if you think you don't have any friends, don't worry, there's always Velma the Wal-Mart greeter. If you don't have a car, there's Cathy at Freshens.

■ Make sure you get everything from your parents now. When you reach my age, you get a conscience and feel bad asking for money.

■ Don't put up with your

roommate's crap. He has to go to class some time, so you can get him back.

■ Guys, date someone on campus so when your Bearcat card runs out of money, you can have her pay for your meals.

■ Try to avoid that dreaded trek on U.S. 71 between Maryville and St. Joe — nuff said.

■ Make sure you do some kind of internship in college. That way after graduation, you can tell your co-workers at the grocery how it was a great place to work.

■ Guys, don't worry about women. The more you know, the more confused you get. Trust me on this one.

■ Just have fun and be yourself because this won't last forever.

There, that oughta get you through college. Hey, nobody ever called me "Dear Abby," but I tried my best.

Now, before I finish the last column in my collegiate career, I need to recognize some people that helped me get here.

■ Publications adviser Laura Widmer — I still don't know how she does all the things she does, and I can't believe she put up with

me for four years!

■ The Maryville High School staff and coaches — I hope you enjoyed working with me as much as I enjoyed working you all of you. Go 'Hounds!

■ Terry Barmann and Lee Miller — Wanna know anything about officiating the game of baseball? Boy, these guys are good at what they do.

■ Gene Cassell (his ego has to be riding high now) — He directly and indirectly taught me many of the things I now about journalism today, even if he doesn't have much hair left.

■ All of my friends, and there are many of you — you guys are what made my experience here the best.

And even though we may be going our separate ways, our memories will always keep us together.

Thank you to everybody, and good luck in the future. But don't worry, I'll be back for Homecoming — as long as I can find a damn parking space.

Chris Geinosky will graduate with a major in journalism and a minor in broadcasting.

My Turn



■ Corbin Pierce

Four and a half years of haircuts, banking and Greek life leave fond memories

I received my mail the other day and found that I will be graduating, but there will be a fee. I thought it was odd that I was assessed the fee, but it almost seemed fitting.

All this means that I must say good-bye and thank you to some wonderful people and this institution.

However, instead of saying good-bye, I am going to leave you with some helpful pieces of advice that I have gathered over the past four and a half years and a few thank yous.

■ Eating at Tower isn't that bad. Over the years, I have grown accustomed to the taste of their steaks. You see, if you get a soufle cup and fill it half with ranch dressing and half with A-1 Steak Sauce and mix it up, it takes the steak to the next level. I know it sounds gross, it looks gross, but it tastes good.

■ I used to think that Roosevelt Bank was the best bank in the town. You see, I used to bank at another spot on the square.

However, I was treated somewhat like a child, and I didn't feel like I was treated in a fair manner. So I moved my services to Roosevelt, which is now Mercantile. The ladies that worked there were the nicest bunch of adults I have ever worked with. They were always more than willing to talk to me, let me know of a special deal and they always called me by name. I truly felt like I was banking back home. Mercantile has taken over, and it sucks. The people are rude and the service is horrible. They said, "The customer won't even be able to tell we've made changes." The

Roosevelt ladies look at me when I go in and the look on their face is like, "I'm sorry." So I'm not going to bank there anymore. The point of this section is to say thank you to those ladies that made banking at Roosevelt easy for me during college.

■ Getting a haircut to some guys is not a big deal. To me, however, it is as important as the clothes I wear. So just not any place will do. I was getting my haircut at this one place. The price for a haircut was like \$5 or something. Except, he only knew one style. High and tight. I'd say just a trim today and he'd say ... High and tight! The cue ball look isn't for me, so I found a place called Looks Salon. I have been getting my hair cut there for most of my college career. Pam was the best stylist, I use that term in a masculine manner, I have ever had. I would call and say "Pam I need a haircut today," and she would bump people just for me to get a simple haircut.

■ To the mass communication department, I truly feel sorry for students who just go to class, get their degrees and leave. I have been lucky to be apart of a department where I feel like I am a part of it. From this newspaper to the radio. You know how the athletes on campus work hard in their sport when they aren't in class. Well, broadcasting and journalism students are working hard on the *Missourian*, *KXCX*, *KDLX*, *KNWT*, *Hearland View* and *Tower Yearbook*. This department is one of the trendsetting departments in the college industry. If you don't

believe me, then go look on the walls of the journalism and broadcasting departments. Did you know that the broadcasting department has a full production company that creates corporate videos for major companies and the journalism department sets the pace in multimedia for colleges around the country? That's impressive.

■ Finally, to the Residence Hall Association for encouraging me to be in a Greek organization. Yes, RHA. My freshman year, I hung out with guys on my floor, and we did everything together. One time my whole floor streaked from Phillips Hall to Hudson Hall. Besides saying perversion, it says that 30 guys got along great and had a lot of fun together — all thanks to RHA. But you know what, the typical thing at Northwest happened. They all transferred or dropped out. I had nothing, except my major.

I decided to rush Delta Chi. It was fun because it reminded me of the fun my friends and I had my freshman year. I loved it, so I joined. I catch a lot of slack for it, too. I laugh when people say "God Damn Independent" or some other kind of acrostic.

You see, I have tried GDI. It wasn't for me. It's like eating vegetables when you are little. "How do you know you don't like them if you haven't tried them?" my mom would say. Remember that.

Be involved, be sociable and have fun. You're only here once.

Corbin Pierce will graduate with a major in broadcasting and a minor in journalism.

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It's Your Turn

What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas?



"A go-cart and roller skates and my two front teeth."

Josh Wagner, age 6



"I want Barbie dolls and roller skates."

Kendra Wagner, age 7



"I want Miko from Pocahontas."

Allyson Carter, age 3



"A 3D puzzle — they're not flat, they build up."

Seth Scott, age 6



"A bear, because I just do."

Lee Martin, age 4



"Farm stuff and that's all."

Trevor Hines, age 4

Virus infects many campus computers

by Toru Yamauchi
Chief Reporter

If you still have papers to write and need to use computers at Owens Library or other buildings on campus, watch out before opening your Microsoft Word document.

A new strain of virus has infected Microsoft Word in many computers on campus, and the virus has spread and created problems for many users.

A Word document becomes in-

fected with the virus after users save it on the infected computer. Sometimes the document can be recovered in other forms such as in a template.

One of the major problems is that users have to retype what they have written because they cannot open the document. In the worst case, the document is destroyed.

"Unfortunately, I've been working on these assignments (that now have the virus) for the past four weeks," said Kelson Thomas, engineering computer major. "Right now,

I've got a headache because all my files were scrambled because viruses are difficult to analyze now. I don't know what to do (with my assignments)."

Thomas said he asked computer lab assistants for help, but they could not solve the problems.

Tabatha Verbick, academic computing user consultant, said although she is not sure how the new virus was brought into the library, the current anti-virus program cannot protect against the new strain of virus.

"The anti-virus program protects all the viruses (known of at that time) once the anti-virus is released," Verbick said. "New strains of viruses can come out, which means an anti-virus program can't catch (them) because it doesn't know of (them)."

Verbick said the only solution is to upgrade the anti-virus software. But she cannot do it now because the operation takes time and there are more than 100 computers in the library.

Verbick also said many users

would be upset if the consultants updated the software because it is a busy time for many students in the semester.

"I plan, in January, (before spring semester) to drop all the hard drives here and fresh load to update the 'Norton Anti-Virus' (anti-virus software) to the most current version at this point, which should help even more against viruses," Verbick said.

However, Verbick said she will not update the anti-virus software in the computers in the residence halls

because that's the students responsibility.

Verbick recommended three temporary ways to deal with the new strains of virus for the Word users. One is to print out the document often, so that way they can retype the document if it is lost.

The second tip for users is to ask lab assistants if they do not know what to do. Finally, all individuals should purchase anti-virus software which is available in the bookstore and they keep updating.

Conference Center opens for finals

■ RHA, Student Senate sponsors alternate study environment for exams

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Many students use the library as a place to study during finals week. However, for those who need additional time than library hours, the Residence Hall Association and Student Senate is opening the Conference Center as an alternative place to study during finals week.

Beginning Monday, it will be available for students from 11:30 p.m. until 7:30 a.m. throughout the week.

RHA and Student Senate want to provide students an opportunity to get their work done in a quiet at-

mosphere where they will not be interrupted by others.

Free coffee and doughnuts are incentives for studying in the Conference Center.

RHA has sponsored the study session for the last three years. The turnout averages 150 students a night.

RHA president Jeff Lukens said it is a good place to study because it gives the students a change of environment and puts them in a setting for the purpose of studying.

"A lot of times, all people need is a change of atmosphere to get their studying done," Lukens said. "And the good turnouts show that students do like it."

The Conference Center will be split into three sections. One section will be for individual study, one for

group study and the third section will be a break room.

There won't be any reference materials or computers provided for students, but the building does have data ports for students to plug in their personal computers.

Lukens said students can come and go as they please throughout the night.

RHA hopes this service will help the students. Josh Skidmore, biology/psychology major, said it is an opportunity that should be taken advantage of if it fits the student's personal schedules.

"I think if I was going to study at 1 a.m. and I needed some doughnuts, I would definitely go," Skidmore said. "It sounds like a good plan and could be really beneficial for students."

Fall 1997 Finals Schedule

All sections of:
PE/HES (Lifetime Wellness) 110
Mathematics 114, 115
Chemistry (Lab) 113, 115, 117
Physical Science (Lab) 103
Computer Science 130
History 155
Government 102
Communications 102

The Missouriian prints this schedule as a service to students, but students are encouraged to check with instructors for official finals times.



Classes meeting for the first time in the week:

Monday, December 15

December 15, 9:40 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.
December 15, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 16, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
December 16, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
December 16, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
December 17, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
December 17, 4:10 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.
December 18, 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

11 a.m. Monday
2 p.m. Monday
9 a.m., 9:30 a.m. or 9:35 a.m.
Tuesday
2 p.m. Tuesday

Tuesday, December 16

8 a.m. Tuesday
11 a.m. Tuesday
3 p.m. Monday
9 a.m. Monday

Wednesday, December 17

Noon Monday
3 p.m., 3:30 p.m. or 3:35 p.m.
Tuesday
10 a.m. Monday

Thursday, December 18

8 a.m. Monday
1 p.m. Monday
Noon, 12:30 p.m. or 12:35 p.m.
Tuesday
4 p.m. Tuesday

Friday, December 19

10 a.m. Tuesday
4 p.m. Monday
1 p.m. Tuesday

Date and hour of final examination

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

Heather Alingo/Missourian Staff

Bands join forces for game

by Nicole Fuller
Assignment Director

The Bearcat and Spoofhound marching band members performed during the halftime show at the Kansas City Chiefs football game Sunday.

"It went by in a hurry with eight minutes to play," said Al Sergel, Northwest band director. "I was very pleased, (because they) don't get to warm up and it (was) cold."

Despite the weather, the adrenaline was flowing throughout the band.

Also being in front of 70,000 Chiefs' fans made performing in an NFL stadium more exciting for many band members.

"It was incredible and awesome to perform in front of that many people," said Alan Hutchcraft, drumline section leader. "It was a good experience for both to learn

what it is like to play with higher level experience, on the same hand (it) calls for them to (both) get better."

It was the second time the Northwest band performed at a Chiefs game. Although there were a few first time performers in the squad.

"I was very nervous, but I thought we did a good job," said Jennifer Will, Northwest saxophone player. "Seventy thousand people is a lot of people to play in front of, but involving the high school made things seem even better."

Having the high school band join the University band was a decision made over the summer when Sergel asked Dennis Dau, Maryville High School band director, to perform part of the show with them.

"It was a great opportunity for the high school students and was a way to give the students an educational opportunity," Dau said.

Both groups worked hard to make the experience a positive one. They worked on the music individually to prepare each band separately, Dau said.

"The last week, both bands got together to practice to put everything together," Andrea Stiens, Maryville trumpet player said. "It was a little work, especially playing the first trumpet part with the notes a lot higher."

High performance was the result the hard work of the many students that were involved.

Bill Dodd, Maryville High School band director, wrote the drill formation in collaboration with Sergel, setting the forms up to allow both bands to join together.

Elisabeth Crawford, Northwest feature twirler, worked in combining auxiliary flag twirler work, and John Milligan, flag corps coordinator designed the auxiliary flag corps work.

Regents

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tions as to what the students want."

Student Regent Marissa Sanchez said the job is a difficult task that takes responsibility and articulation, but is an incredible opportunity.

"It's been rewarding to become familiar with the interworkings of the campus, as well as being on a different level with the students and the faculty," Sanchez said.

The position, which is required at all state schools in Missouri, was established through state legislation.

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Northwest Missourian

First woman's group produces magazine

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

The Northwest Beta Sigma Phi chapter, a women's group on campus, is entering uncharted waters as plans its debut issue of *Lyrix*, a feminist magazine.

"This is an opportunity for a magazine with a woman's point of view," club president Joannie Kidder said. "We hope it reflects what goes on in a woman's life from a wide variety of viewpoints."

Kidder realizes completing the 64-page journal will not be an easy task.

"It will be a challenge, and there will be a lot to learn as we go," she said. "We don't expect it to be perfect, but we will give it our best shot."

The club is looking for works by students, faculty and community members.

If someone would like to have their work published they can submit a piece to the club for consideration. They are looking for poetry, fiction, nonfiction, art and photography.

Beta Sigma Phi will fund the magazine by charging \$3 for each issue, as well as fund raisers and applying for a grant.

"Our mission is to provoke thought and experience from the woman's perspective," Kidder said. "We hope to provide a tie between campus and community."

Kidder expects the magazine to come out in March which corresponds with Women's History month.

Entries should be addressed to *Lyrix* in care of Beta Sigma Phi and delivered to the campus mail center located in Thompson-Ringold.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Denise Hastings, right, who portrayed Mrs. Claus in the children's Christmas show, talks with children who

came to the Charles Johnson Theater for the production Friday night. The show ran Friday through Saturday.

Play offers Christmas twist

by Mark Milosovich
Missourian Staff

How many times can a psychiatric patient be described as jolly, bearded and having a tummy that shook like a bowl full of jelly?

As odd as that may sound, members of Alpha Psi Omega portrayed that picture last weekend in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The honorary theater fraternity performed its annual children's Christmas show which gave Maryville residents a chance to enjoy a Christmas show and learn several lessons.

The show, "Santa Sees a Shrink," was \$1 or a canned food item donation for the Maryville Food Pantry.

The show has been a tradition at Northwest since the 60s, said Charles Schultz, fraternity sponsor and theater professor.

Although it is a children's show, this year's attraction been viewed by all age groups.

"We were expecting 200-300 people for the shows on campus; mostly kids and college students who were seeing it for theater appreciation class," play director

Nate Stuber said. "This script was written more to the adult audience than in the past, making it enjoyable to all ages."

It was Stuber's first experience in the director's chair and an enjoyable one.

"It has been a lot of fun," Stuber said. "I had a good, energetic cast that made it easy to work."

The show is very important to Alpha Psi Omega's because it is their major fund-raising event for the year. The group will take the show on the road to several other venues in the area, such as Ravenwood and Shenandoah, Iowa.

Schultz said the group has an honorary fee at each show they perform to cover the traveling expenses.

Overall, the show was enjoyed last weekend by those involved.

"I hope it shows good Christmas spirit," Schultz said. "It is entertaining to the school and a service to the community."

The show is not only for entertainment but will give the cast more acting experience.

"It is a valuable experience for the kids to adapt and adjust to all facilities in which they must perform their craft," Schultz said.

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Couple travels to Africa, fights polio epidemic

■ Retired physician, wife volunteer time giving children vaccine

by Sarah Bohl
Missourian Staff

Hunger, drought and war are the usual images that come to mind when Africa is mentioned.

However, another problem is virtually running unchecked through the continent. Even though it hasn't been seen in the Western Hemisphere since 1991, polio is an epidemic that affects millions of African children from jungles to deserts.

Although it may seem far away from most people's everyday lives, two Maryville residents are concerned with the spread of polio in Africa.

Retired physician Robert Dunshee and his wife, Winifred, recently spent a week in Ethiopia giving polio vaccinations at free health clinics.

"Sometimes we don't look beyond our own communities," Dunshee said. "What some people don't realize is that their community today is about 25,000 miles around."

As many as nine million children were treated Nov. 12-14 in a countrywide program called National Immunization Days (NIDs), Dunshee said.

More than 500 children were treated in one morning alone, and more than 180 doctors from around

the world volunteered for the program.

The polio vaccine is not difficult to administer. It is an oral vaccine, and it only takes a couple of drops on the tongue to immunize a child. Adults are rarely treated for polio because they have already built up an immunity.

"We went to very primitive clinics," Dunshee said. "One day we even delivered a baby. Workers used such primitive things as pressure cookers to sterilize equipment."

NIDs are set up by Polio Plus Partners, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and governments around the world. At a recent NID in India, more than 70 million children were immunized against polio in one week.

"I had the opportunity to go and finish this crusade (against polio). I would like to leave this footprint behind me."

■ Robert Dunshee, retired physician

The program began more than 10 years ago when the Rotary International originally set out to eradicate the polio virus. Their goal was to raise \$120 million. Amazingly, over \$240 million was raised to provide the vaccine around the world.

More than \$400 million dollars has been spent for the vaccines so far, Dunshee said. These funds are still not adequately meeting the world's needs.

"We take (the polio vaccine) for granted," Dunshee said. "We're so lucky in the United States; we tend to forget that other people in the world aren't."

Africa is a reservoir for polio de-



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
Robert and Winifred Dunshee spent a week in Ethiopia immunizing children with the polio vaccine. They wore uniforms to identify them as volunteers in Africa's National Immunization Day.

spite concentrated efforts to eliminate it, Dunshee said. The main reason for this is the vaccine must be refrigerated which is a difficult task in the humid jungles of Africa.

"The vaccine must be delivered by foot, bus, runners, canoes and even helicopters," Dunshee said. "We have developed an insulated container to get the vaccine to the darkest areas of Africa."

However, another major obstacle the workers had to overcome was fear.

The doctors found out a rumor had started that the doctors were trying to spread HIV.

"I've always been interested in Africa, and I think it has lots of potential — if they can get their act together," Dunshee said. "It's hard to fight that kind of ignorance."

Dunshee has been with the Ro-

program since its start. He has helped raise money as well as provided his services as a physician. Dunshee is dedicated to fighting polio for two reasons.

"No. 1, I'm a physician, and I'm dedicated to provide good health to people," he said. "No. 2, I remember when polio closed the public pool. It was a scary time for a lot of people."

His childhood experience with polio made Dunshee eager for the opportunity to help fight the disease in Ethiopia.

"It really got to me," he said. "I had the opportunity to go and finish this crusade (against polio). I would like to leave this footprint behind me."

For millions of children in Africa, footprints left by people such as Dunshee could lead them to a longer and healthier life.



Photo courtesy of the Dunshees
A nurse in Ethiopia shows a child how the polio vaccine is administered. As many as nine million children were treated by volunteers at free clinics Nov. 12-14 during National Immunization Days in Africa.

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that have to take place at this point, and (there are) lots of challenges ahead."

The building project is a combination of a new middle school building at West South Hills Drive as well as additions to Eugene Field Elementary School and Maryville High School.

The project should get underway

as soon as possible, depending on the weather, Bell said. The district is anticipating that the elementary and high school projects will be finished by August of 1998, while the middle school building should be completed by the end of April 1999.

Barbara Heckathorn, Eugene Field Elementary School principal, said the additions will provide an exceptional opportunity for the children's future.

"We have been very, very crowded at Eugene Field," Heckathorn said. "It is a fantastic thing that says the community truly cares about the education of their children and they are looking towards the future, and appropriately providing for the children of the community."

Ray Courter, School Board vice president, was part of the very first steering committee on the bond is-

sue. He and other board members continued to do research on the project. It took seven bond issues before a general obligation bond issue of \$9.485 million passed April 1, 1997.

"I've had an interest in school issues for a long, long time," Courter said. "I'm pleased the community saw it fit this time to vote for the proposal. I'm really thankful that the community took as long as it did in

one sense because it turned out to be the best set of circumstances and best proposal we could have come up with. The community had an insight, and I believe that was very important."

The district can begin working towards their ultimate goal of improving the educational standards and technology of all of the Maryville's schools.

"It means that there are youth in the years to come that will have the

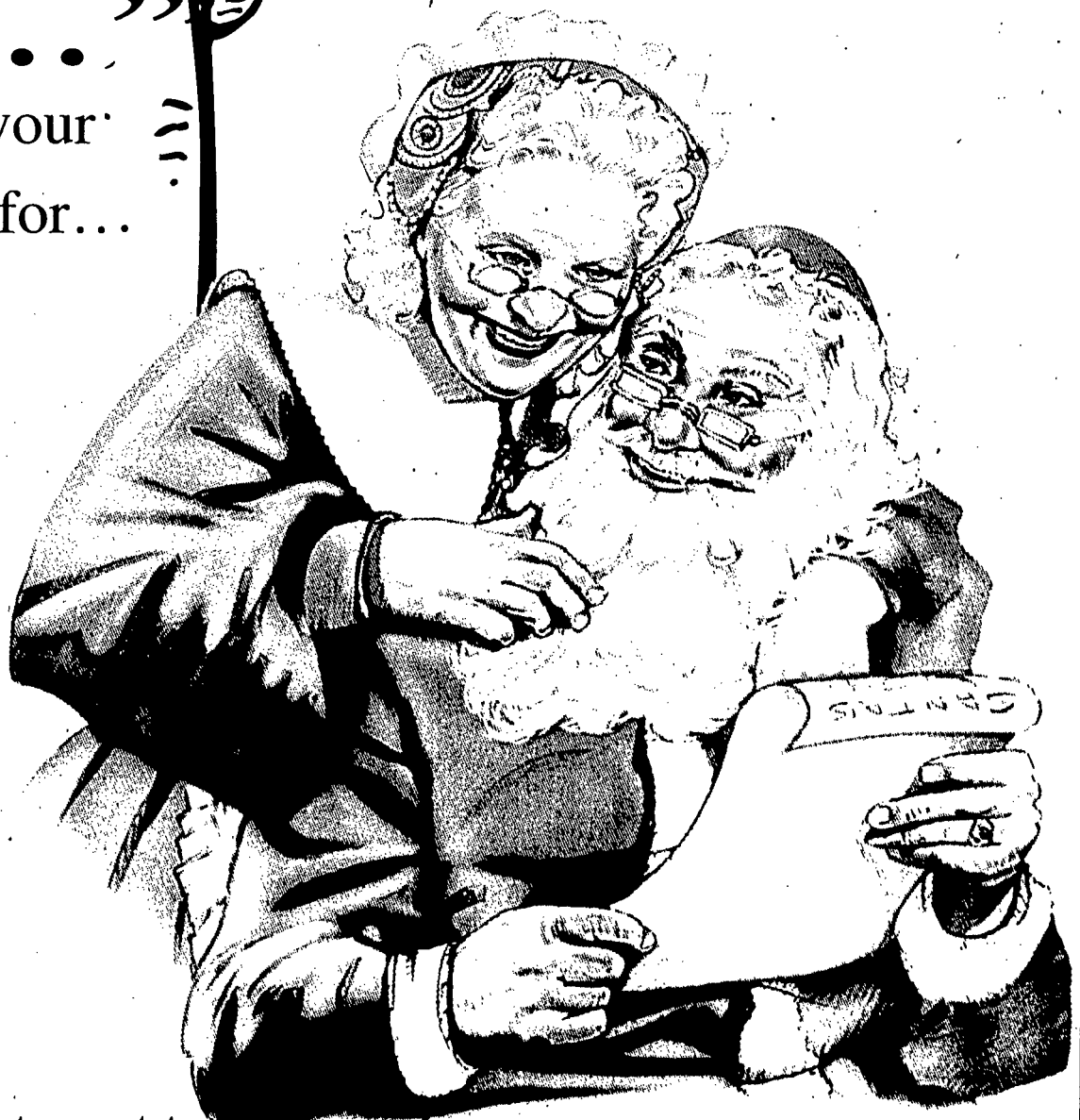
type of facilities and programs that they'll be able to be educated in, so they can go out and beat the world," Redd said. "With all the technology and all the challenges taking place, all the needs for education and personalization in education that this will allow, is really great for our community, and to know that our youth here in Maryville will have an opportunity to compete worldwide."

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Residents gather to honor banker

by **Toru Yamauchi**
Chief Reporter

Celebrating a promotion and wishing an influential Maryville man farewell brought many people to the University Conference Center Tuesday.

Rollie Stadlman vice president of Citizen's Bank and Trust in Chillicothe. He will move after Christmas.

Stadlman has worked as the executive vice president for First Bank CBC for five years. The promotion also puts him in charge of marketing at three banks.

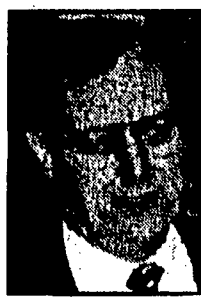
Stadlman worked at Northwest until 1991 for 21 years. He was one of the founders of KXCV, director of broadcasting, Alumni Relations director and executive assistant to University President Dean Hubbard.

Stadlman has lived in Maryville since 1965. This promotion is a new opportunity for Stadlman.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity and hopefully continuing to contribute to the growth of the company," Stadlman said.

Although Stadlman was proud of being part of the new bank, he said he would miss Maryville.

"We (Stadlman and his wife) wish we



■ **Rollie Stadlman**

could stay in the community," he said. "We leave with some sadness and look forward to the start of an adventure."

Stadlman's influence will make many local people miss him.

"We're very sad to lose him because Rollie is not only an effective banker, but he's been a most effective citizen in Maryville," said Robert Foster, former University president. "We'll always think of Rollie as a part of campus and Maryville."

Mike Johnson, Alumni Relations director, and a Northwest student and broadcasting major when Stadlman was the director of broadcasting, said he cannot imagine Maryville without him.

"It's hard to envision what Maryville is going to be like without Rollie," Johnson said. "He is someone I always looked up to."

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moved back to Maryville and his youngest son attends Northwest and lives at home. The Martins' daughter goes to the Colorado Institute of Art.

Despite Martin's illness, the family is trying to make the best of this holiday season. They were able to go to Norfolk, Neb., to see his family for Thanksgiving and have already made travel plans for Christmas.

"I need to get to Texas and Colorado," he said. "I've got friends there that introduced Paula and I. The doctors will let me go. I'm pushy."

It hurts Martin to see his family going through this pain.

"It's a hell of a lot easier on me than anybody else," he said. "They have to deal with the cancer and me."

From what Martin can tell, his family his handling the news of his cancer courageously.

"They try to protect me," he said. "I don't see a lot of it except maybe a little through a crack."

Martin has faced the fact that he may not see his family develop into the future.

"My wife (Paula) was planning on having me around for another 30 years," he said. "I was planning on seeing my grandchildren."

Martin's gratitude also extends to his friends and all of Maryville.

"People come out of the woodwork," he said. "If you're not standing in the right place at the right time,

you'll never see this about Maryville. It's amazing."

From the beginning, community members and friends have taken on the role of good Samaritans. The Martin home has had somewhat of a revolving door since the diagnosis.

"People are always dropping in to offer their support," he said. "There's two or three guys that walk away from their jobs to take me to coffee three times a week. It's great."

Martin said there are countless individuals who want to help. He is still amazed by the people who always make time for him.

"They've got no agenda, except me," he said. "That's selflessness beyond a call."

The local firefighters sponsored a dance in Martin's honor in November at the Legion Club.

Martin was worried about how long he would be able to stand at the event. Just as he was getting ready to go, a few friends drove up to his house. They loaded his chair in the back of the truck and took it to the dance.

"I even got to dance twice," he said. "There were a bunch of people I hadn't seen for a long time. It was a hoot getting together."

Much to his surprise, the city declared Nov. 14, Dennis Martin Day.

The firefighters also surprised Martin during Northwest's Homecoming.

"My big goal was to get home for the parade," he said. "The guys had put a big 'Welcome Home Dennis' sign on the fire truck."

"People come out of the woodwork. If you're not standing in the right place at the right time, you'll never see this about Maryville."

■ **Dennis Martin, Maryville resident**

Several people even gathered their frequent flyer miles to bring Martin's daughter home for Thanksgiving.

Road to Recovery, a group of retired residents, provided transportation and company for Martin when he was receiving treatment five days a week. Without the help of these volunteers, Paula would have had to quit her job to transport her husband.

Martin has always taken an honest approach with his friends and family.

"I haven't kept any secrets," he said. "I'm pretty much what-you-see-is-what-you-get. I'm a real poor liar."

Martin said that way it is easier on his friends. They don't have to ask uncomfortable questions and they don't wonder how he's doing.

"It's terribly hard on them," he said. "But that way, they can deal with it and I don't feel like I'm mistreating them."

Martin went through a course of radiation and chemotherapy at Heartland Health System Cancer Center in St. Joseph.

A recent CAT scan revealed that the original radiation successfully shrunk the tumor in the esophagus, but the rest of the cancerous tissue had spread through the blood stream to his liver.

"The tumor is large and fast growing," he said. "It travels faster than I'll get out."

The treatments have caused Martin to lose nearly 40 pounds.

"Except for the swelling in my face and neck, I look like a damn refugee," he said.

Right now, he is trying to gain some of the weight back and strengthen his legs.

Martin was scheduled to begin radical chemotherapy this week. There is a 50 percent chance the chemotherapy will be effective. There is also a 50 percent chance it will accelerate the disease.

"It's sort of depressing," he said. "I'm not looking out that huge of a window."

His doctors have not given Martin a life expectancy.

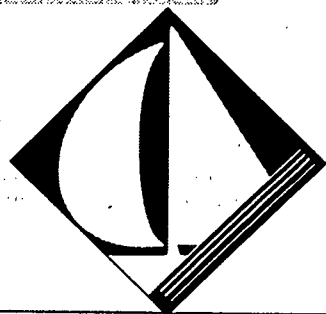
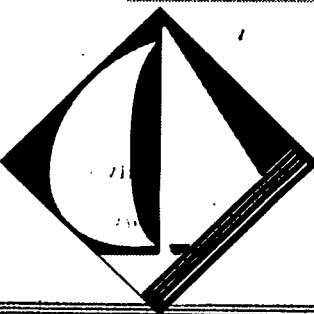
"It's months, not years," he said.

"I'd like to make it to my 50th birthday in May. I'm also shooting for our 30th anniversary next November, but that will be a stretch."

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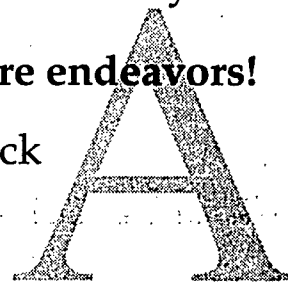


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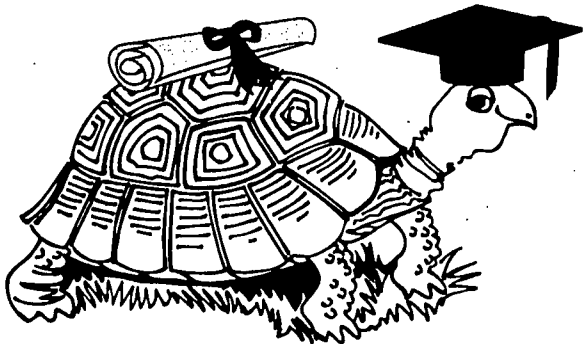
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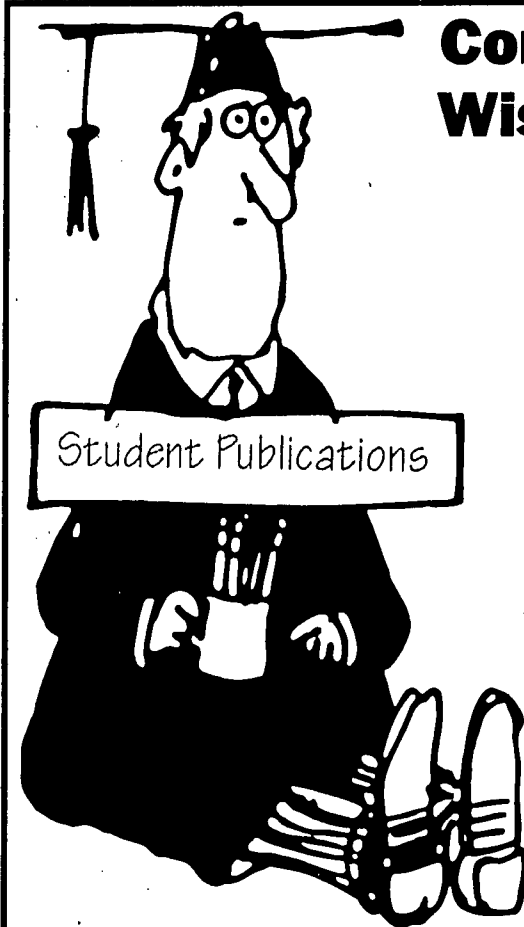
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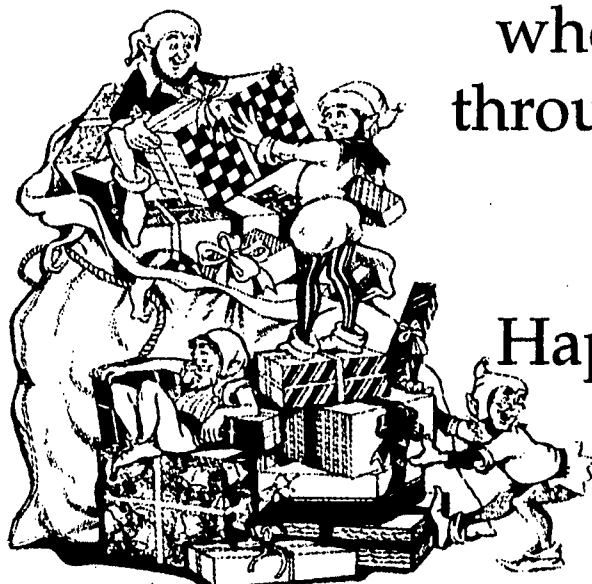
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Public Safety

December 4

While on patrol in the 600 block of North Main Street, an officer observed a vehicle cross over the center line. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Andrew P. Peterson, 20, Maryville. While talking with the driver, the officer detected an odor of intoxicants. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he failed to complete a field sobriety test successfully and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

While on patrol in the area of Buchanan and Lincoln streets an officer saw a vehicle with a headlight out. While talking with the driver Christopher L. Veatch, 20, St. Joseph, an odor of intoxicants was detected and he was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after he unsuccessfully completed a field sobriety test and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit.

Brandi L. Hicks, Maryville, was westbound on College Park Drive, approaching College Avenue. Brooke J. Cashion, Overland Park, Kan., was traveling west on College Avenue approaching College Park Drive. Hicks was unable to stop because of road conditions and struck Cashion.

Jennifer L. Clement, Maryville, and Debra C. Henggeler, Ravenwood, were both traveling south on Main Street. Clement said Henggeler applied the brakes and Clement put her brakes on and fish-tailed striking Henggeler's vehicle in the rear. No citations were issued.

December 6

While an officer was on patrol in the 1100 block of East Halsey, he observed a vehicle fail to stop at a stop sign. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Terry L. Messick, 42, Maryville. While talking with the driver, an odor of intoxicants was detected and she was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after she could not complete a field sobriety test successfully and her blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. She was also issued a citation for failure to stop at a stop sign.

Witnesses reported that Keith M. Swinford, Maryville, was backing up and struck the vehicle of Kipp E. Feldt, Maryville, then left the scene. After getting a description of Swinford's vehicle, it was located and citations for failure to exercise highest degree of care and leaving the scene were issued to Swinford.

December 7

A 1988 Ford Bronco II was towed from Fourth and Walnut streets where it was illegally parked.

Jerry R. Pye and Susan L. Grace, both of Maryville, were traveling south on Main Street. Grace slowed in traffic and her vehicle was struck in the rear by Pye. A citation was issued to Pye for failure to exercise the highest degree of care.

New Arrivals

Michael Andrew Holley

Chuck and Patty Holley, Maryville, are the parents of Michael Andrew, born Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Grandparents are Norman and Louise Andrews, St. Joseph; and John and Colleen Holley, Shell Rock, Iowa.

Payton Jeanne Ternus

Dana Schulz and Jason Ternus, Maryville, are the parents of Payton Jeanne, born Dec. 2 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Robin Schulz and Gale Jungemann-Schulz, Seward, Neb.; and Mary and Jerry Ternus, Goehner, Neb.

Campus Safety Obituaries

December 1

Campus Safety responded to a fire alarm in a building on campus. The alarm was unfounded.

A student reported the theft of their student identification and it was used fraudulently. An investigation was conducted, and the charges were found to be made by owner of the card. The report was forwarded to the vice president of Student Affairs.

December 2

Campus Safety investigated a property damage report in a building on campus. The suspect was located and issued a summons to the vice president of Student Affairs.

Campus Safety investigated a report of an unwanted guest. The information was unfounded.

Campus Safety responded to a building on campus in reference to a student in need of help. Contact was made with the student, and the individual was transported to St. Francis Hospital for further evaluation.

December 3

Campus Safety investigated a report of property damage on campus. An investigation was initiated.

Robert Muttl

Robert M. Muttl, 85, Hopkins, died Dec. 1 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born June 21, 1912, to Albert and Eva Muttl in Hopkins.

Survivors include his wife, Lucille; one daughter, Sherrie Mitchell; two brothers, Ralph and George; 2 granddaughters; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were last Thursday at the Wray Memorial United Methodist Church in Hopkins.

Cletus Pitzenbarger

Cletus E. Pitzenbarger, 85, Ravenwood, died Dec. 3 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Sept. 12, 1912, to Philip and Zita Pitzenbarger in Rockwell, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; two daughters Joanne Schmitz and Genie Swenson; three brothers; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Saturday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in St. Joseph.

James Thompson

James "Jimmie" B. Thompson, 69, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Heartland East Hospital in St. Joseph.

He was born June 11, 1949, to Harold and Dora Thompson in Maryville.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene; two sons, Curt and Scott; two daughters, Marlene and D'Ann; and one grandson.

Services were Friday, at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Otis Booth

Otis Eugene Booth, 81, Maryville, died Dec. 3 at Parkdale Manor Nursing Home in Maryville.

He was born Nov. 22, 1916, to Earl and Cora Booth in Wilcox.

Survivors include two daughters, Marcia Beattie and Gail; one son, Lowell; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Friday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Herbert Gard

Herbert Lee Gard, 95, Maryville, died last Thursday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Aug. 22, 1920, to Herbert and Belle Gard in Shellsburg, Iowa.

Survivors include his wife, Pearl; five sons, Curtis, Paul, Darl, Wayne and Dean; three daughters, Marilyn Ausdall, Norma Sikes, and Rose Findlen; two brothers; 24 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Monday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville.

Vacie Harmon

Vacie Solomon Harmon, 90, died Dec. 6 at the Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

He was born Jan. 2, 1907, to George and Katherine Harmon in Metz.

Survivors include two sons, Gall and Lowell; one daughter, Gloria; one sister; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Tuesday at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

James Heflin

James Sherman Heflin, 72, Maryville, died Monday at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Oct. 7, 1925, to Alva and Lucille Heflin in Graham.

Survivors include his wife, Hallie; two sons, Paul and David; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one sister; and four nephews.

Services were today at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

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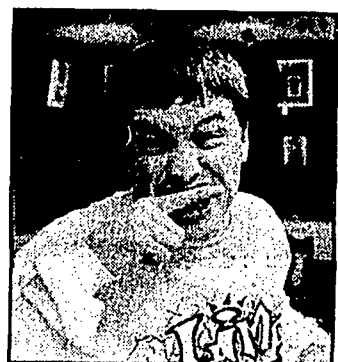
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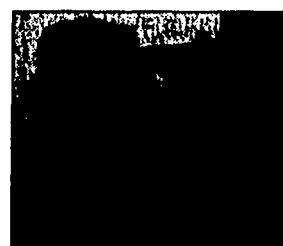
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Men squash Graceland

Dec. 10
Northwest: 107
Graceland: 75

by JP Farlis
Chief Reporter

After barking for no let-ups, head coach Steve Tappmeyer and the Bearcats jumped out to a 10-0 lead against Graceland College Wednesday night.

And they never let up. The Bearcats never trailed in the 107-75 win, avenging last year's, 75-70 loss. Because of pressure defense, they forced 27 turnovers to their 10.

"The big stat to look at is turnovers," Tappmeyer said. "When a team is pressing, and you're playing with a lead, only 10 turnovers (that's good). Last year we were up 16, and then we started turning the ball over and missing free throws. I just think this year we have a better team."

Although the defense looked good, Tappmeyer said, it was inconsistent.

"We caused a lot of turnovers, but then we give up too many easy shots," he said. "It's like feast or famine. Our defense has to be played all out. When our intensity drops off a little bit, we

would be better going to a zone."

Creating turnovers on the defensive end translated into the first time the Bearcats broke the century mark. Junior forward Matt Redd led a balanced attack with 19 points and eight rebounds. In his first start as a Bearcat, junior forward Levant Williams added 16 points and 11 rebounds.

The 'Cats ship off to the Bahamas Dec. 20. Their first opponent, Simon Fraser University was called one of the best teams they will play all year by senior guard Shakey Harrington.

The 'Cats will have 10 more days off like before the Graceland game.

"I hope (last game's play) is due to the 10 days off," Harrington said. "Hopefully we can run it up like that in the Bahamas. It's hot out there, so I hope we can heat up the scoreboard."

Dec. 10
Northwest: 55
Rockhurst: 76

by Kevin Schultz
Chief Reporter

After a 7-0 start, their best since 1990-91, injuries caught up with the

Bearcat women Wednesday night.

The matchup pitted the Bearcats against Rockhurst, a team they defeated by only three points earlier in the season.

But with key player Denise Sump, sophomore center, out with a stress fracture and senior guard Pam Cummings sick with the flu, victory eluded the 'Cats. The women fell to the Lady Hawks 76-55.

The Bearcat women were down 36-22 at the half and were not able to recover despite picking up 33 points in the second half.

Senior forward Annie Coy led the team in the game, scoring 16 points and pulling down seven boards, while sophomore center Linda Mattson contributed 10 points to the effort.

Winstead attributes the 'Cats' successful record to this point to balance.

"To this point we have been balanced," Winstead said. "All five starters have been able to score. Now we just need to start playing with a little more consistency. It doesn't matter what we do just as long as we do it well."

The women's next matchup is at 7:30 p.m. Saturday against Iowa Wesleyan in Bearcat Arena.



Junior guard Mike Morley (No. 20) goes up for a shot against Graceland College Wednesday night. Northwest won the game, 107-75.

Tim Kay/Chief Photographer

Editor sends wish list to Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

Each year the University sports editor for the *Missourian* sends a list of holiday requests to you. So I thought I would keep the tradition alive, as things have gone well in years past.

I've tried to be good, and I never ask you for much, but I've been storing up, so here's my tall order.

1) Can we please have some more fan support for the "lesser sports?" I mean really, football is not the only sport in the fall. There are volleyball and cross country, and those players need to be cheered on too. Not to take anything away from the football team, but both the men's and women's cross country teams went to the National meet. And the volleyball team is improving after this year's rebuilding season.

2) Local coverage of Bearcat sports on television. I mean none of the Kansas City channels listed the score of the Division II football playoffs until this last week, when the 'Cats weren't playing. Many Bearcat athletes are from the Kansas City area, but you wouldn't think that from the coverage. When we beat Pitt State, it didn't even make the news.

3) Why can't we have a varsity women's soccer team? They survived this year as a club sport. Couldn't you whisper to athletic director Jim Redd or put a message in his stocking that these women really want to play?

4) Talk to the people in charge of football scheduling and tell them that a game during Thanksgiving weekend is not a wise idea. Do they know how much fan support was lost for the 'Cats because of bad timing? Who knows, without Turkey Day we might have beaten Northern Colorado.

5) Help the basketball teams do well, and maybe even win the conference this year. Oh, don't let the men's team get too sunburned while it's in the Bahamas over winter break.

6) And last, let the women repeat their triple crown in cross country and track. A conference title for the men would be nice, too. And I hope it's not too early, but spring sports titles would be good.

I hope I haven't asked for too much. As for the milk and cookies, Mrs. Claus said you can't have them, but I hid them in my desk in the basement of Wells Hall. Don't tell anyone though.

Wendy
Wendy

Wendy Broker is the University sports editor for the *Northwest Missourian*.

Indoor track season starts at Iowa State meet



Junior Robby Lane runs in an outdoor track meet last spring. Lane and 51 other men are preparing to begin the indoor track season.

by Wendy Broker
University Sports Editor

After two months of practicing outside, the track teams are heading indoors and preparing for their first meet of the season.

The women's team boasts 32 members including some freshmen who will add depth to the squad along with the several returners.

Head coach Bud Williams said the team will face a tough road in repeating last year's conference championship.

"Any time you return a majority of a championship team, there is the expectation to repeat," Williams said. "It will be difficult to repeat all of last year's accomplishments without hard work. No one will roll over and play dead just because we attend a meet."

While Williams was finishing the cross country season, assistant coach

Dan Davies worked with the team.

"We have had a successful and injury-free preseason," Davies said. "The incoming women will fill the holes from last year and give us some depth. If we don't have any injuries early, we are capable of doing as good, if not better, in conference, especially with the areas we've added."

Williams anticipates a successful season in which individual as well as team goals will be achieved.

Ten of the women will get a jump start on the season Friday by competing in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Men prepare for indoor season

The men's indoor track team has been practicing for nearly two months, working to improve its chances at a high conference finish.

The team has 52 members, which offers the team a lot of depth to add to the strong competitors who will

return for the 'Cats.

Head coach Rich Alsop said practice has gone well and he looks forward to having a good season.

"We have had a good fall and the men are in really good shape," Alsop said. "We have lots of people who could contribute and are looking forward to improving as a team and achieving our goal of being a presence in conference as a team."

Assistant coach Mitch Dosland said the team is looking good in practice, but it needs competition.

"We have good people in every event, and a lot of raw talent from the freshmen who've never been coached," Dosland said. "We just have to wait and see how they perform and see if they step it up; see how the team comes together when we start having meets."

Fourteen of the men will try to prove their ability Friday in the Iowa State Cyclone Holiday Classic.

Athletic Shorts

Champions crowned in intramural sport

Another round of intramural events ended Nov. 20 as the volleyball champions were crowned.

The Delta Chi Nationals claimed the fraternity division championship by defeating the Sigma Phi Epsilon Crush.

The Nationals reached the finals after beating the Sig Ep Purple Helmets, while the Crush overpowered Sig Ep Ep Yours to reach the game.

In the sorority division, the Sigma Kappa Sphincter Kickers were crowned champions after they beat Sigma Black in the final game.

The Sphincter Kickers reached the finals after they defeated Phi Mu No. 1. Sigma Black toppled the Sigma

Kappa Snakey Ks to reach the final game.

After the volleyball championships, the final fall supremacy points were tallied. In the fraternity division, the Sig Eps came out on top, while Sigma Kappa took the top slot in the sorority division.

Supremacy Points			
Fraternity		Sorority	
Sig Ep	852	Sigma Kappa	551
Delta Chi	761	Alpha Sig	513
Phi Sig	565	Tri Sigma	458
TKE	405	Phi Mu	363
AKL	328	Delta Zeta	175
Delta Sig	200		
Kappa Sig	165		
Sig Tau	160		
Ag Rho	120		

Gridders, coach win awards after season

The Bearcat football season is over, but the awards keep piling up for the squad.

Junior quarterback Chris Greisen was named to the Burger King Division II Coaches' All-America Team by the American Football Coaches Association Wednesday. Greisen was named the first team quarterback on the team.

He threw for 2,456 yards and 23 touchdowns for the Bearcats.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma was named the Region 4 Coach of the Year by the AFCA for the second-straight year.

Even though the 'Cats dominated their opponents on the field, the Bear-

cats also hit the books hard. Sixteen were named to the MIAA all-academic squad as well.

The list included Bob Baker, Matt Becker, Greg Bonnett, Scott Courter, Devin Doll, Kraig Evans, Greisen, Nick Inzerello, Charlie Pugh, Cole Sidwell, Kurtis Stewart, Brian Sutton, Adam Teale, Chad Thompson, Wayland Vacek and Matt Voge.

Basketball team adds exhibition matchup

The men's basketball team scheduled an exhibition game with the Dreambuilders for 7 p.m., Jan. 2 in Bearcat Arena. The contest will be the 'Cats' first game after the Sunshine Shootout Dec. 20-23 in Nassau, Bahamas.

Cagers play games during winter break

While most Northwest students will be home for the holidays, the basketball teams will continue to play.

The women's team will play Iowa Wesleyan Saturday and the women of Quincy College Dec. 19. Both games will be played at home.

The men's first holiday matchup will be Dec. 20-23 at the Sunshine Shootout in Nassau, Bahamas.

The men and women travel to Missouri Rolla, Jan. 5 and Lincoln University, Jan. 7. They take on Southwest Baptist, Jan. 10 and Emporia State, Jan. 12 at home. The teams play at Truman State, Jan. 17 and Washburn, Jan. 21 at home.

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Wrestlers start season with dominant victory

Dec. 4
Maryville: 47
Maysville: 33

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

The Spoofhounds unleashed a barrage of points at their first wrestling meet of the season against Maysville High School, winning 47-33.

"The team did pretty good, but we had a lot of personal mistakes," senior Chris Barmann said. "A lot of us are just getting back into duals, learning to listen better to coach and getting into better condition."

Despite some little mistakes, head coach Joe Drake was pleased with the team's overall performance considering how early it is in the season.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable," Drake said. "Now, we simply have to go back and make those corrections. This definitely tells us what direction we need to work in."

The 'Hounds got things going early with a pin by freshman Brandon Hull (103 lbs.), who looked very good in his first match, Drake said.

"I'm pretty proud of myself," Hull said. "I didn't get a big head, and I just went out there and did my best."

Senior Mark Anderson (119 lbs.) followed with a victory, but

senior Ryan Castillo (135 lbs.) suffered a loss.

"(Castillo) did not wrestle his type of match," Drake said. "He kind of let his opponent dictate what was going on, and it eventually cost him the match."

Maysville gained some ground from three consecutive pins on Spoofhound seniors Matt Herring (145 lbs.), Adam Chadwick (152 lbs.) and Barmann (171 lbs.).

Inexperience showed in Chadwick's match, while Barmann came out aggressively, only he tried to overpower his opponent rather than use technique to win, Drake said.

Drake said Herring got a good start, but made a major mistake by overextending himself. He then got caught and was pinned.

Drake was pleased with freshman Jesse Reed's match (189 lbs.), when he beat his opponent with a pin.

"Jesse came out aggressive," Drake said. "He really looked pretty good for a freshman wrestler."

The meet concluded when freshman Noah Bonde (215 lbs.) was pinned.

The 'Hounds also benefited from the fact Maysville was not able to fill four weight classes, which resulted in wins for juniors Justin Dredge (112 lbs.) and Jeremy Tobin (125 lbs.), freshman Herman Crumb (130 lbs.) and sophomore Jacob Stiens (160 lbs.).

Drake wanted to use the 'Hounds first meet as a tool.

"We saw a few first-match mistakes out there — things that we think are correctable."

■ Joe Drake,
wrestling coach,
Maryville High School

"We were not as aggressive as I thought we should've been on our feet," Drake said. "We were shooting too far away, which got us into trouble a few times. A few other times, instead of using technique to finish things, we tried to power it and that got us in trouble. We've got to go back and use techniques to win."

The upperclassmen also hope to help the younger wrestlers develop the skills they need to succeed.

"We just need to tell them, 'Don't get intimidated,'" Barmann said. "We just need to let them know to listen to coach. He knows what are best moves are."

Even with four open weight classes, Drake said Maysville presented a challenge.

"They were very (good) with the people they had here," Drake said. "They did a very good job."

The 'Hounds will battle at 7 p.m. Thursday against Cameron at home.



Maryville senior Ryan Castillo prepares to battle Maysville junior Jerry McFee during last Thursday's match. The 'Hounds won the match 47-33.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Bench Warmer

Maryville coach deserves praise for milestone win

The scene has been replayed time and time again: A team has a bad year and the head coach gets the ax for it.

From what I have discovered in my brief one-and-a-half-year stint as a Maryville resident, not many of the high school coaches have anything to worry about — especially Mike Kuwitzky, the boys' basketball coach.

As far as Kuwitzky's players knew, the only thing special about last Tuesday night's game against Shenandoah, Iowa, was that it was a chance keep their record unblemished.

However, for their coach, it was a little bit sweeter than that. After his team walked off the court victorious, Kuwitzky told his players they had given him his 200th career win.

After having the pleasure of covering Kuwitzky's squad last season, I cannot think of anyone more deserving of this recognition.

Not only was Kuwitzky one of the nicest and most accommodating people I have ever met, he always had a smile and a conversation for an annoying freshman reporter.

When he took the head coaching job at Maryville 12 years ago, Kuwitzky would have probably been the last person to think he would someday win 200 games.

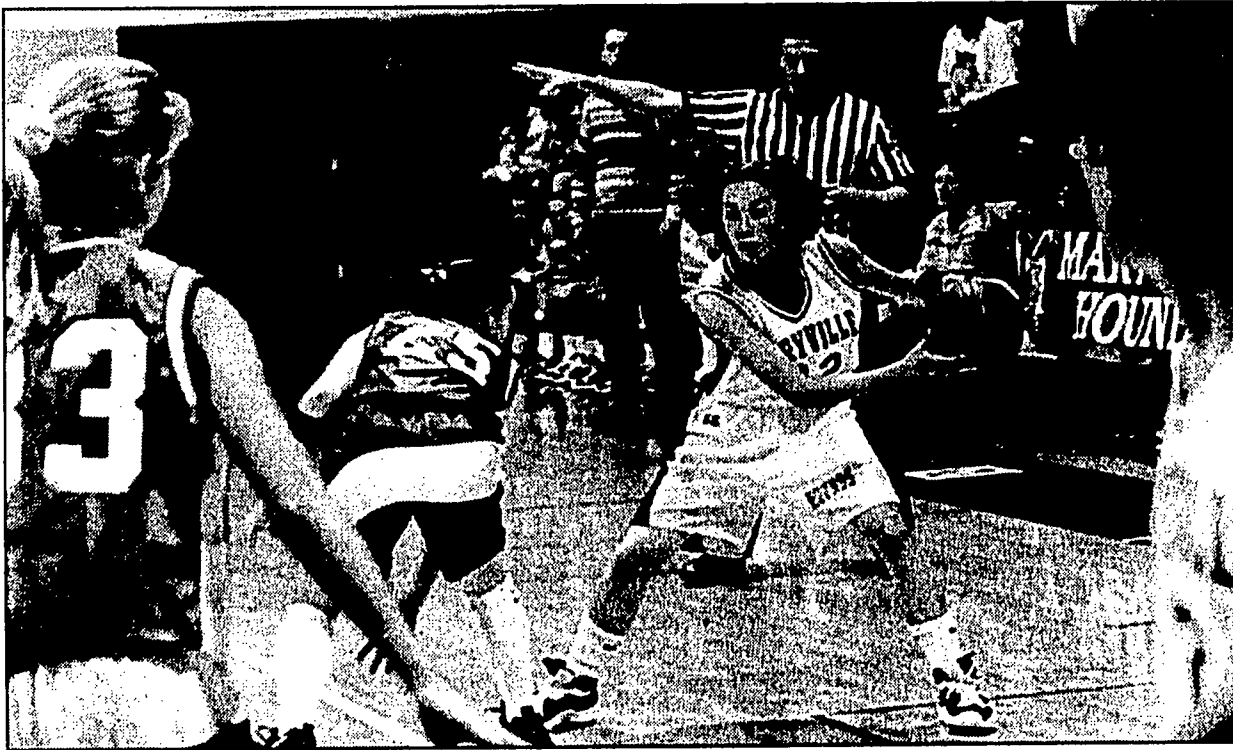
Oddly, that might be his best attribute. He does not coach for his record, he coaches because he enjoys it.

It is too bad there are not more people like him. If there were, a lot more high school athletes would have walked off the court just like his team did last Tuesday — smiling.



■ Scott Summers

Scott Summers is the community sports editor for the Northwest Missourian



Senior guard Allison Jonagan dishes the ball inside to a teammate during Friday's 3-point win over Benton High School.

Maryville's next game will be Saturday when the team travels to Clarinda, Iowa.

Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

'Hounds end 10-year drought

Dec. 5
Maryville: 43
Benton: 40

by Burton Taylor
Missourian Staff

Snow prevented the Maryville Spoofhounds from battling the Lafayette Fighting Irish Tuesday.

Therefore, the girls' basketball team did not have a chance to improve their record against Lafayette, but earned a long-awaited win last

Friday against Benton High School, 43-40.

The Spoofhounds put an end to their 10-year losing streak against the Cardinals.

Junior forward Erin Hefflin led the team with 15 points and 12 rebounds. Senior guard Cynthia Prokes poured in 12 points, six assists and five steals.

After learning the team had lost 21-straight games against Benton before Friday, one player realized the significance of the squads' achievement.

"The score was really close the whole game, and we almost lost," junior guard Megan McLaughlin said. "The team was really excited to come out on top."

Senior guard Allison Jonagan said the win did more than just mark a tally on the chalkboard.

"There is still room for improvement, but it was a big win and it did a lot for our confidence," Jonagan said.

The 'Hounds next game will be at 7:45 p.m. Saturday at Clarinda (Iowa) High School.

Dec. 5
Maryville: 54
Savannah: 40

by Mark Hornickel
Chief Reporter

Much to the dismay of the players, the weather forced the 'Hounds to take a day off this week.

The boys' basketball team was scheduled to play Clarinda (Iowa) High School Tuesday, but snow forced the game to be rescheduled.

"We all wanted to play, but the game was canceled, and there's not a lot we can do about that," senior forward John Otte said.

Kuwitzky and his players did not think the cancellation would have much of an effect on the team.

"It doesn't affect us that much," junior center Mike Nanninga said. "We just gotta get up and go at it again."

The 'Hounds improved their record to 3-0 Friday when they beat Savannah on their home court, 54-40.

"We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

■ Mike Kuwitzky,
boys' basketball coach
Maryville High School

"It went pretty well," head coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "We're extremely happy to get a win on Savannah's floor."

The team thrived on defense again, holding the Savages to only four points in each of the first two quarters. Maryville went into half-time with a 22-8 lead.

"That was excellent for us, and we got off to a real good start," Kuwitzky said.

However, the team struggled offensively, Kuwitzky said. The 'Hounds shot 32 percent from the floor, and they were 1-for-14 on 3-pointers.

"We overcame that pretty good,"

Kuwitzky said. "We kept working for our shots, and we were able to hit the boards really well."

Maryville grabbed 32 rebounds, compared to Savannah's 15. Fifteen of Maryville's rebounds were offensive, which led to many opportunities at the charity stripe.

The 'Hounds made 19 of 30 free throw attempts, a statistic Kuwitzky said was an improvement from previous outings.

In the second half, the 'Hounds found themselves in a bit of trouble.

"They played us up a little," Kuwitzky said. "We weren't executing as well, and we let down on defense a bit."

After the Savages went on a small run, the 'Hounds broke away.

"We had three or four possessions that we just executed on beautifully," Kuwitzky said. "That was a real turning point in the game."

Senior forward Grant Sutton led the team in scoring with 15 points, while junior forward Tylor Hardy chipped in 13 points.

Maryville will resume play at 5 p.m. Friday against LeBlond High School at home.

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Surrounded by angels

by Jennifer Simler



angels," Carolyn Pratt, owner of The Angel Lady said. "It's a traditional angel store where I believe the angels touch you."

Pratt began collecting angels 37 years ago when her first child was born. This is when she and her husband decided they weren't going to decorate the house with Santa, but with angels because they brought "glad tidings of great joy."

She has traveled all over the world gathering angels for her store where the rule is — "it has to have wings on it to be sold."

By traveling and studying different angels, she learned that angels can only be found in cultures that have hope. Her example was in Cracow, Poland, where she recently returned from, that during World War II was a place that Germans executed Jews. "Now, it is a beautiful city where angels are available in the marketplace," Pratt said. "I can tell there is hope there."

On the other hand, after visiting Russia and Germany, because of the country's current dismay, she was unable to find angels reaffirming her belief that angels represent hope.

Pratt said having the store keeps her on her best behavior. It also gives her a chance to offer her advice to customers as to what to look for in an angel they want to buy.

"I tell everyone not to buy an angel unless it winks at you," Pratt said. "Of course it's not going to wink, but you're going to be able to relate to one better than others. I like a different one everyday."

However, one doesn't have to go as far as Independence to find angels. Locally, Rod's Hallmark, the Watermelon Patch and Family Tree, to name a few, have an abundance of angels in many shapes and sizes to add to one's collection or to be a stocking stuffer.

The most popular angel being sold at Hallmark this season is the Seraphim Classic called "Monica Under Love's Wing." It is dedicated to the Sunshine Foundation, which grants wishes to critically ill children, and sends a child and their family on a dream vacation.

"People are aware of the piece," said Debbie Easterla, manager of Rod's Hallmark. "They come in and ask where the piece that its proceeds go to the Sunshine Foundation is."

Hallmark realizes the popularity of angel items and places them appropriately so they are easy to find.

"We always keep them right in the front of the door, so that right when you walk in the door that's the first thing you see," Easterla said.

Angels are female and this has not bothered people, but recently Easterla has had the request for a serious male angel figurines. Serious because the only male angel figurines seen in the past have all been humorous, like a bald, male angel dressed in a suit and sitting on a bench.

Angels aren't necessarily only found in figurines or pins. Vanosdale thinks some small children might soon think they have been visited by an angel.

More than 100 children will receive gifts from Northwest students for Christmas. The Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic, provided an "Angel Tree." Students received a child's name and something from their wish list to provide for them.

"I think it makes these kids feel very special," Vanosdale said. "They're going to get all these neat presents wrapped in pretty paper just for them. I don't know if they are going to think they're from an angel or Santa, but they're not going to expect the gifts. They're going to feel like they've been such a good little boy or girl."

The gifts are being collected Friday and will be taken to an agency that will distribute them to the children. The students will never know whom they are buying for, nor will the children ever know who gave the present to them.

"I just hope the students that are giving the gifts kind of feel like they're angels," Vanosdale said. "They are going to bring a lot of smiles and happiness on their faces and that's going to be priceless."

The Christmas trees have gone up, colorful lights have brightened houses and angels have filled our hearts and homes — it's Christmas time.

Although Santa has usually been the desired figurine during this time of year, times and trends have changed. Angel figurines have become the demand.

They come in all shapes and sizes, from stamps to ornaments to elaborate figurines.

People of all ages are collecting and wearing angel paraphernalia. Some wear angel pins for religious reasons while others wear them because they were given to them by a significant person in their lives.

"I wear a pin almost everyday," said Susan Colt, child and family studies major. "It's a reminder, I guess, to live the kind of life I should."

Colt not only wears angel pins, but has an extensive collection of angels throughout her entire house. She places an angel in every single room of her family's house and has a glass showcase imbedded in one of the walls in her living room filled with angels.

Colt's angels have been gathered from everywhere in the world from shops like Hallmark to Christkindelsmarkt in Germany. Although her collection didn't start growing until about five years ago, she has angel earrings, an angel night light and even an angel mounted on the frame of her front door.

Her reason for collecting angels is not because of fads or current trends, although she said it does make angel paraphernalia easier to find. Colt said she collects angel because of her beliefs.

"I've just always been really religious," Colt said. "I really believe we all have guardian angels."

She believes that angels don't always come in the form of figurines.

"I think they appear in many different forms," Colt said. "I have had a couple of experiences when I felt like there were angels around with me. Also, when I start wondering about my children, I put it in God's hands and ask that he puts his angels around them to protect them."

Colt isn't alone in her experiences with angels. Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, is certain he has a guardian angel that is constantly watching over him.

"I know I have a guardian angel," Vanosdale said. "It's my granny. She watches over me and protects me. When I'm down and sad she's with me. She raised me to be a good, God-fearing Christian man and to treat people right and with respect. I can still feel her hugging me. I know she watches over me. It is the most comforting thing you'll ever feel."

There are many avid collectors and people who believe in angels around the world. *Life* magazine ran a special in the 1995 December issue dedicated solely to angels. The article included people who collect them as well as people who have had experiences with what they thought were angels.

Life discovered that "69 percent do believe in angels, with 32 percent saying they've felt an angel's presence."

Some of the stories in the article range from artist Andy Lakey who said "angels told him to paint 2,000 angel paintings by the year 2000, one for each year since Jesus' birth," he was on painting No. 1,403, to an angel collector from Beloit, Wis., who has more than 11,161 angel artifacts.

There are numerous places in Maryville and surrounding areas that angel collectors have turned to expand their collections.

The Angel Lady, a store in Independence located at 216 S. Spring St., caters solely to those in search of angel paraphernalia. There are more than 20,000 different kinds of angels from all over the world.

"It's not a new age angel store that sells crystals or where they believe they can contact their

City, campus spread holiday spirit to warm season

by Russ Wetzel and Heather Butler
Missourian Staff

During the holidays, we give presents to the ones we love, but several local businesses and organizations are going beyond by brightening the season for the less fortunate of the community.

The Maryville Jaycees are selling Christmas trees for \$4 per foot with proceeds going to support the area's Toys For Tots campaign and the Nodaway County Food Pantry.

Jaycee Jim Wiederholt said the organization has already sold about 150 of its 250 trees. Any remaining trees will go to Community Services, which distributes them as needed.

In addition, the Jaycees are offering a Rent-a-Santa to travel to homes or businesses and bring a little holiday cheer. The cost is \$10 for a family visit and \$20 for a company visit. All of the proceeds go to help the Jaycees adopt a needy family over the holidays. Those wishing to help can call 562-2780.

The Jaycees adopt a family each year over the holidays that has had a difficult year, Wiederholt said.

"Last year we raised about \$220," he said. "We use the proceeds to buy food gift certificates for the families."

Wal-Mart is one of several businesses that lends a helping hand during the holiday season as well. Assistant manager Angela Schuler said they have several things going on this year.

"A percentage of sales from last Saturday went to support Toys For Tots," Schuler said. "We also have a barrel set up where people can donate toys."

The Red Cross, which supplies coats and clothing to needy families, has a tree set up at Wal-Mart. The organization has already assisted five area families that have been the victims of recent fires.

Another area group, the Salvation Army, also has an "Angel Tree" in place at the store. Patrons can pick an envelope from the tree that describes the needs of a particular child.



The Toys For Tots barrels and Red Cross Christmas tree stand at the front of the Maryville Wal-Mart store. Community members can donate

toys, clothing or other necessary items for area children that are in need. Several area businesses and organizations are helping the less fortunate.

Clothing sizes and toy preferences are included in the envelope.

"We are thrilled to help in any way to make our community better," Schuler said. "They give a lot to us and we want to give something back."

Three area food stores are also active in increasing the holiday spirit. Hy-Vee supports a wide range of church, civic, school and individual charities. Recently, the store presented \$2,500, a share of three days of sales, to the United Way.

Food-4-Less and Easter's Food Stores frequently have food "demos" with vendors offering samples throughout the stores. Proceeds from these sales go to aid charitable programs sponsored by area churches. Easter's has a barrel for Toys For Tots.

Food-4-Less allows its customers to contribute to the food industry's Crusade Against Hunger program. Customers can choose to add \$1, or \$3-\$5 to their grocery bill to help hunger nationwide.

Even smaller, personal businesses are helping others in need this year.

Watkins Hardware has been do-

ing to Christmas causes for 40 years. This year's support includes donations to St. Gregory's Catholic Church "Fun Fest" and the Toys For Tots campaign.

St. Francis Hospital is sponsoring a fund-raising campaign to help eliminate health care costs of those who are unable to afford care. St. Francis the mandate of "turn no one away" for more than 100 years. The hospital has covered \$200,000 in charitable aid this year.

The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Santa shopping spree. Fifty-two businesses in Maryville are participating by offering drawings for Chamber bucks. Prizes range from \$350-\$500. Registration is free at participating businesses.

The need for community help is abundant and residents can help with the beautification of Maryville.

Maryville is asking for donations for Christmas lights for the courthouse. A slot for contributions is provided near the door.

Many area churches have a variety of charitable programs in place during this season.

The First Christian Church youth

group recently sponsored a food drive, and the church has a food pantry open for donations.

The First United Methodist Church Methodist Youth Foundation is making and delivering food baskets for 33 families. It also has a warmth tree where people within the community can donate gloves, coats, scarves and mittens. The items are distributed to area schools for students who need them. The church also has a group it calls the Posse that delivers balloons to shut-ins at local nursing homes.

The Laura Street Baptist Church adopted children to buy gifts for Christmas. Church members are also baking cookies for over 300 inmates at the Maryville Treatment Center during the holidays.

Not only does the community contribute to helping others, but Northwest students and organizations also play a role in the spreading of holiday cheer.

Northwest, like Wal-Mart, has also set up an Angel Tree to help the children of Nodaway County.

Bryan Vanosdale, campus activities director, introduced the idea of

having a tree on campus to Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils.

Those in charge of the tree contacted Human Services, which gave them the names of teens in the Nodaway County area who needed help this Christmas.

All presents are due Friday to the campus activities office located on the second floor of the Student Union.

The Baptist Student Union at Northwest is donating Aladdin money to less fortunate families in Nodaway County. They did the same at Thanksgiving and raised \$5,800 to help feed 81 families.

The Christian Campus House is participating in Northwest's Angel Tree and is buying presents for the families of the inmates at the Maryville Treatment Center. They are also helping bake cookies for the inmates.

Phi Eta Sigma, an honorary group on campus, is giving boots and gloves to the children at Eugene Field Elementary.

Although the chance to give takes only a little effort, it is sometimes hard to remember that many people could use help.

"I don't think people help as much as they could," said Erin Campbell, psychology and criminal justice major. "I haven't, even though there are so many opportunities to do so at church and on campus. To some people, it's an afterthought."

Many people believe helping others not only lifts the spirits of those they are helping, but their own as well.

"It makes you feel good about yourself," psychology major Julie Jacobs said. "It gives you a sense of pride to know you are doing something good that will benefit someone."

This year for Christmas, Maryville residents and Northwest students are encouraged to donate something to a local charity. It can be an old coat, some canned goods, leftover pocket change or maybe just time.

Holiday Events

With Christmas just around the corner, several area schools and churches are gearing up for the season with a wide variety of programs. Here is a list of just a few:

- Maryville R-II High School**
Dec. 13: All-district concert (all day)
- Dec. 22: 7 p.m. Christmas Concert, Mary Linn Performing Arts Center**
- Washington Middle School**
Dec. 18: 7 p.m. Music Program (Seventh and Eighth grade)
- Dec. 19: 2 p.m. Music Program (Fifth and Sixth grade)**
- Horace Mann**
Dec. 16: 7 p.m. Christmas Program
- First Christian Church**
Dec. 14: Children's Program
Dec. 21: Christmas Cantata
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Service
- First Presbyterian Church**
Dec. 14: 10:30 a.m. Christmas Program
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- First Baptist Church**
Dec. 14: 10:45 a.m. Worship Choir Cantata
Dec. 24: 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion Service
- First Methodist Church**
Dec. 17: 6:30 p.m. Las Posadas
Dec. 24: 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 11 p.m. Communion Service
- Laura Street Baptist Church**
Dec. 13-14: 7 p.m. "The Perfect Christmas"
- Dec. 24: 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. Candlelight Service**
- Ravenwood Christian Church**
Dec. 20-21: 6:30 p.m. Musical Santa at Franklin Park
Dec. 12, 13, 18, 19, 20: 6-8 p.m.



The Stroller

Learning how to survive at college



The Stroller

Your Man gives advice about making educational years worthwhile

This is my last article of the year. Let me tell you how happy I am that I don't have to rack my brain every week thinking of ways to offend everyone.

I am finishing up the college chapter of my book of life, and in doing so I would like to leave everyone with some closing advice to make their life at Northwest as fun and as productive as mine.

■ **Public Safety** — Don't run from them or throw your beer, especially at the cop, when they see you. They are smart and know that if you drop your beer it is probably because you are not 21.

■ **Cliff notes** are sometimes better than reading the book. Don't let your teachers tell you any different.

■ **Laundry** — It stinks, so find some poor sucker to do it for you, or get a girlfriend to do it.

■ **Don't drink the water.**

■ **If you came to find your future husband or wife at Northwest, check admissions about transferring.**

■ **Don't tell people how good at sports or cool you were in high school.** The people you know will most likely meet someone from your hometown that would love to tell them different.

■ **Keep in touch with old high school friends,** so they don't tell people you were a dork.

■ **Don't piss any sorority girls off** — if one hates you, all of them hate you.

■ **Take an extra pair of shoes and don't hang on the rims at the Rec Center.**

■ **Charge as much crap to your parents at the bookstore as you can while they will still pay for the stuff.**

■ **Write at least one offensive article for the *Missourian*,** it's funny to hear people talk bad about you.

■ **Write the cable company and tell them their service sucks.**

■ **Buy your condoms at the front desks of the dorms,** it's a lot cheaper.

■ **Don't re-insert a parking ticket on your windshield** so you can park illegally again, it's just plain dishonest. Also it doesn't work — I've tried it.

■ **Be nice to everyone you encounter.**

They may eventually work at the place that you want a job.

■ **The refund you get at the beginning of each semester is not beer money.**

■ **Alcohol doesn't make you sleep better, and it doesn't make other people more attractive.**

■ **If the Health Center tells you that you have mono or AIDS, get a second opinion.**

■ **If you have a computer in your dorm room, stay the hell away from the ones in the library.**

■ **Make fun of Missouri Western all the time.** That school really sucks.

■ **If you buy a sweatshirt, make sure that it is reversible so you can wear it two days in a row.**

■ **The next time you are confronted by someone to fill out something for a credit card, tell them that they are the reason your parents split up.** They won't bother you again.

■ **The average landlords' I.Q. in Maryville is comparable to that of a small child, but at least children are honest and can read a lease.**

■ **Never bounce a check at the bar or at the University.** The bar will post your name for everyone to see and the University won't tell you that it bounced and will keep sending it back to the bank until it clears, charging you for every time they send it back.

■ **Make fun of anyone wearing high school letter jackets; it's funny.**

■ **Get a job on campus.** A letter of recommendation from someone on campus is a lot better than one from the shift manager at a fast food restaurant.

■ **The only way to graduate in four years is to keep your academic catalog and learn how to read a degree audit.** Most professors don't even know how.

■ **I'd like to thank everyone for a great year and if I offended anyone I would like to say — Good.**

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918 and does not reflect the views of the *Missourian*.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1. Diva's delight
5. Pulse
10. Oriental prince
13. "Quicker — you can say Jack Robinson"
14. Overgrown
15. River boat
16. Verdi opera
17. Church official
18. Scorch
19. Judge Bean
20. ___ up (enlivens)
21. "___ beloved..."

DOWN

23. Proton donors
25. Oriental sash
26. Yearly record
28. Benefit
31. Diocese
34. Part of a Spanish family tree
35. Zeniths
36. Malay coin
37. Ending for kitchen or major
38. Weigh heavily upon
39. Mixture of smoke and fog
40. Certain degree
41. Vaulted
42. Shovel
43. Hair coloring
44. What a muscle shirt exposes
45. Part of a boilermaker
46. Riviera acquisition
48. French white wine word
49. Labor walkout

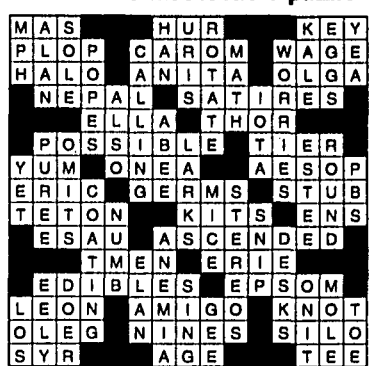
52. Cabbage concoction

53. Hirt and Pacino
56. Bony herring
57. Tribal symbol
59. Place for a bowsprit
60. "My Heart Belongs ___" (Streisand hit) (2 words)
61. Inch
62. ___ fide
63. Eat late
64. Cowboys' charges
65. Chemise

DOWN

1. Top banana
2. Midwest state
3. 1955 Disney film (4 words)
4. Not ___ dare (2 words)
5. Scottish woolens
6. Assists
7. Braves' enemies
8. Homage
9. Operation Deep Freeze commander
10. Scrooge's story (3-

Answers to last issue's puzzle



11. Objective
12. Wrong
15. Hoffa enemy
20. Jumble
22. Seeming eternities
24. Show concern
26. Modify
27. Smartly dressed
28. Traffic sounds
29. Malt kiln
30. Gives the nod
32. Corrode
33. Avid
35. Bristol buggy
38. ___ annum
39. Spread
41. Long and thin
42. Pygmalion playwright
45. Grips
47. Nurse's
48. Sap
49. Paris-to-NYC jets
50. Biblical pronoun
51. Drop acid?
52. English money (abbr.)
54. Anderson of "WKRP"
55. ___ meet
58. Smelted material
59. Big Bird's network

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Kansas City

Dec. 11-Jan. 1 — "Little House Christmas," Coterie Theatre.
Dec. 11-24 — "Nutcracker," Midland Theatre.
Dec. 13 — Koko Taylor, The Hurricane.
Dec. 15 — Amy Grant, Kemper Arena.
Dec. 16 — Bow Wow Wow, The Hurricane.



Area Events

Omaha

Dec. 13 — Seven Mary Three, Ranch Bowl.
Dec. 16 — Wallflowers, AKSaben Coliseum.
Dec. 16 — Jim Brickman, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Dec. 17 — Lorie Line, Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.
Jan. 6 — Harlem Globetrotters, AKSaben Coliseum.



Des Moines

Dec. 11 — Corey Stevens, SuperToad.
Dec. 14 — Handels Messiah, Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 16 — "Nutcracker on Ice," Des Moines Civic Center.
Dec. 18 — Micheal Peterson, SuperToad.
Dec. 31 — New Years Eve Gala, Des Moines Civic Center.

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*Christmas
comes*

*to brighten
the world*

Thank you notes don't have to be chore for kids

(NAPS) — Surveys show that most kids get more than 20 gifts for Christmas but write fewer than three thank-you notes. Etiquette expert Peggy Post has tips to get children in the "thank-you" note habit.

"Make it part of the fun," said Post, great-granddaughter-in-law of the etiquette expert Emily Post and author of *Emily Post's Etiquette: 75th Anniversary Edition* by Peggy Post, "Include fun stationery and pretty pens in their stockings."

Sports-themed paper or a special pen are

best bets.

Post adds, "Show kids how great it feels to receive a thank-you note by mailing them one — complete with stamp and postmark — for the gifts they gave to you."

Other suggestions: Letting kids choose special photos to include in the letters and allowing the littlest ones to paint or draw as well as write their thank yous.

"And don't overwhelm them — one note every few days is about as much as most kids can handle," she added.

Winter Wonderland



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

Maryville High School students spread hay among the nativity scene displayed at Franklin Park, corner of Main and Seventh streets. The nativity was built by the industrial arts class at the high

school. Santa's Maryville house is also located in Franklin Park. Santa will be visiting with children at his house Friday, Dec. 5, from 6 - 8 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 6, from 4 - 8 p.m.

A lump of coal and a bundle of switches

That's what you might end up with if you don't shop your local retailers this Christmas.

Shopping in Maryville this Christmas makes more sense than ever. Our local merchants are more competitive, offer better service and a world of unique merchandise that you can't find in those crowded city malls. Try shopping your local merchants first this holiday season. There really is something to be said about hometown service.

Family gifts make holiday shopping go farther, faster

(NAPS)—If the idea of finding time to shop for everyone on your list is beginning to make you shiver, you might want to consider following a new trend: a gift for the whole family.

Looking for ideas for family gifts? Here are just a few to contemplate:

- Has your family always wanted to hike in the Rockies, visit Disney World or tour the Big Apple? Combine your holiday and vacation budgets, and take your dream vacation this year. Give the kids their tickets for Christmas.

- Home computers have never been less expensive or more invaluable. The hardest part is deciding which system. You might check the classifieds to see if someone is selling the system you want used. If your budget allows, give the computer to the family, and give each family member a small piece of software.

- One way to make vacations more affordable is by roughing it. You can get a lifetime setup of a tent and sleeping bags for the whole family for less than it would cost for a weekend at a hotel.

- Jump-start everyone's brains by in-

vesting in a set of encyclopedias. You'll finally be able to answer all your kids' questions (like "how does television work?") your kids will get ahead in school and you'll all have a resource to turn to for years to come.

Experts recommend *The World Book Encyclopedia* for families with school-age children because of its accuracy, up-to-date information and readability.

- Help the whole family keep fit by buying equipment for a home gym. Surprise them by having it all set up, out of sight, Christmas morning. Give sweats, leotards or sweatbands as individual gifts.

There is one family gift that experts believe you shouldn't indulge in — namely, a new pet.

Animal shelters are crowded in January with "surprise" pets that didn't work out.

Pets should only come into a home where everyone is aware, ahead of time, of the lifelong responsibility and is prepared to meet all the long-term obligations associated with a pet, from veterinary care to daily routines.

Micky G's Wish List

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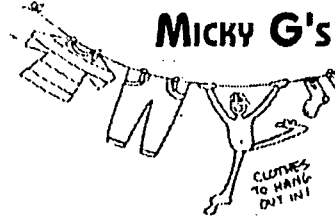
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Christmas bells include ring of cash register, helpful purchasing tips

Holiday safety

Vinyl Christmas trees are safer

(NAPS)—For many, the bells of Christmas include the ring of the cash register. If you plan to purchase an electronic product for a family member, friend or yourself, it may pay to heed these helpful hints from the Service & Parts Group of Sharp Electronics Corporation:

- Always keep your bill of sale as "proof of purchase." When you purchase a product, your sales receipt is the proof of how, when and where the sales transaction took place. Remember to hold onto it. Without the receipt, it will be very difficult to get a product fixed or replaced under warranty.

- If you are giving the product as a gift, pass along a copy of the receipt to the recipient so he or she can get the necessary coverage on a product if a problem develops.

- Selecting extended warranty coverage. Before buying, ask what the warranty includes and how long the warranty lasts. Does the warranty cover whole product or just parts? When the product is serviced, will I have to pay labor costs? How does the extended warranty relate to the original warranty provided by the manufacturer?

Another issue to keep in mind is who honors the warranty. Some products must be returned directly to the manufacturer for service, while others must be brought to a local authorized servicer.

A non-authorized local service store may be able to fix the particular product, but if they are not authorized by the manufacturer, they may not have access to the manufacturer's technical assistance, training and service manuals. This could lead to further problems.

(NAPS) — Festive holiday decorations, complete with a Christmas tree and greenery, help create the joyful atmosphere surrounding the Christmas holidays. But they can also pose a safety risk.

Every year, about 500 residential fires are started when Christmas trees ignite, causing roughly 25 deaths and more than \$20 million in property damage according to the National Fire Protection Association. One way to reduce the risk of holiday fires is to purchase a flame-retardant, artificial Christmas tree and greenery made of vinyl.

Because of vinyl's unique chemical makeup, it resists ignition and flame spread, helping to prevent or contain what could become a devastating fire.

That flame retardancy remains consistent throughout the tree's 15 to 30 year life span, while the fire hazards of displaying a natural

tree increase dramatically in just a few weeks as its needles become dry and brittle.

"Vinyl Christmas trees offer the same beauty as natural trees while protecting families from a potential fire hazard," said Robert Burnett, executive director of the Vinyl Institute. "During the holiday season, when most parents are pretty harried, it's one less thing to worry about."

Artificial trees are also the economic choice, costing less than \$100 and lasting up to 20 years. That's an investment of just \$5 a year, as compared to \$30 to \$40 to purchase a natural tree annually. And today's artificial Christmas tree is made to look just like a natural tree.

"Ten years ago, the industry was revolutionized by a change in the manufacturing of artificial trees," said Claus Beckroge of General Foam Plastics Corporation, a

manufacturer of artificial trees, wreaths and garlands in Norfolk, Va. "Artificial trees used to look very artificial whereas now they are very life-like."

A vinyl artificial tree never requires watering or disposal, and there are no bothersome needles to vacuum.

Vinyl Christmas trees save resources, too. About 30 million pounds of recycled vinyl go into making the trees and other greenery each year.

"The manufacture of vinyl trees plays a large role in sustaining markets for recycled vinyl," said Burnett. "And quite a bit of that recycled material is post-consumer, coming directly from curbside recycling programs."

As the holiday season approaches, play-it safe by allowing only flame-retardant, easy-to-maintain and environmentally friendly vinyl greenery into your family's home.

Handling holiday hassles effectively

(NAPS) — Want to make your Yuletide more merry? Here's how to handle those holiday hassles:

- Shopping early really is a good idea if you want to beat long lines and get personal attention from salespeople who are likely to be less harried now than a few days before Christmas. Check out the ads in local newspapers to see where the bargains are.

- Buy stamps in bulk for Christmas cards; mail cards and out-of-town-bound gifts early.

- Holiday parties will go easier if you prepare much of your meal ahead of time and refrigerate.

Then just heat up the food shortly before guests arrive, so you can spend more time with them and less time in the kitchen.

- A bright idea: Make sure your Christmas tree lights and other holiday ornaments are in good, safe, working order before you begin trimming — and while there's still time to find replacements if necessary.

Carriage Rides

The Heart of the City is sponsoring carriage rides in Maryville.

Thursday, Dec. 11
6 - 8 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 14
2 - 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 18
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Western store offers quality, convenience

by Erica Smith
Advertising Director

D & S Western not only offers high quality boots and western apparel, but convenience as well to Maryville residents as well, especially during the holiday season.

"We have many first quality men's, women's and children's boots reduced up to 70 percent," said Susan Gater, owner of D & S Western. "We also have new lines such as Force Ten ladies' purses, Abilene men's and ladies' boots and Bailey crushable felt hats."

D & S also features Tribal Traditions, a locally made gift line.

Gater said D & S offers benefits that larger discount stores cannot.

"As discount stores get larger and larger, it's the small store that can offer real service to our customers," Gater said. "We believe in helping the customer — offering suggestions, helping find the best fit and knowing about the product we're selling."

Gater said they are always willing to help their customers find products, even those they do not have available.

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Holiday Hours begin Dec. 8.
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Sunday, Dec. 21 open 1 - 5 p.m.

"We take time with every single customer," she said.

D & S is located at 110 E. Third St., on the east side of the square in Maryville. They are open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Currently, Thursdays they are open until 8 p.m., but as of Dec. 8, D & S will be open until 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. Sunday, Dec. 21, they will be open from 1 to 5 p.m.

D & S Western is a member of Heart of the City and the Chamber of Commerce.

Store deals with more than books

■ **Local bookstore** binds community with story hour, poetry readings, field trips

by Erica Smith
Advertising Director

The Bookstop offers a unique twist to a typical bookstore.

"We are community minded," said Sara Lee Hinckley, co-owner of The Bookstop. "We often conduct tours and story hours for school field trips. We enjoy having other events as well in our store, such as poetry readings, an Irish tea, author signings and story hours in the summer."

The Bookstop has a wide variety of books as well as teacher supplies.

"(Our selection) is an unusual mix for a bookstore," Hinckley said.

The Bookstop had an open house Nov. 23 to promote their Christmas books and 1998 calendars.

The Bookstop
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Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday open until 8 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday 1 - 4 p.m.

Holiday Hours begin Dec. 15.
Open Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

The Bookstop, owned by Hinckley and Lynn Felton, is located at 220 N. Market St. in Maryville. They are Heart of the City and Chamber of Commerce members.

The Bookstop is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The store is open until 8 p.m. Thursdays. Store hours for Saturday are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and for Sunday are 1 to 4 p.m. Starting Dec. 15 The Bookstop will be open until 8 p.m. Monday through Friday until Christmas.



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Friday, Dec. 5 6 - 8 p.m.	Saturday, Dec. 6 4 - 8 p.m.
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The first four winners in the Maryville Chamber of Commerce Santa's Shopping Spree were announced last Monday.

Jenny Forney, Hopkins; Joyce Nicholas, Pickering; Irma Collins, Maryville; and Mrs. Roy Mincy, Maryville; won gift certificates from local merchants.

The Maryville Chamber of Commerce is encouraging shoppers to shop at home with their Christmas promotion Santa's Shop-

ping Spree.

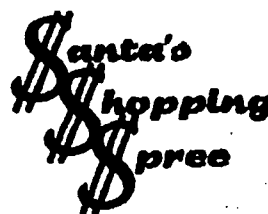
Sixteen shoppers will win over \$250 in gift certificates from local merchants. Participating businesses draw a winner from their registration boxes. Those names are sent to the Chamber where four winners are drawn. Names are announced Monday. The contest ends Dec. 22.

Shoppers can register at the Chamber of Commerce or any of the following businesses: Anderson Dry Cleaning, Appliance and TV Mart, ASDE Inc., Bearcat Lanes,

Bookstop, Boyles Motors, Browns Shoe Fit, Carr Tire, Carter's Clinic, Clara's Fashions, Classic Cuts, Cummins Furniture, Deen's Alignment, Easter's Foods, Fields Clothing, Florea's Conoco, Golden Corral, Hy-Vee, JC Penney, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Kissinger's, M & S Computers, Marfice Jewelry, Mary Kay Cosmetics (Carol Jean), Maryville Daily Forum, Maryville Implement, Maryville Lumber, Maryville

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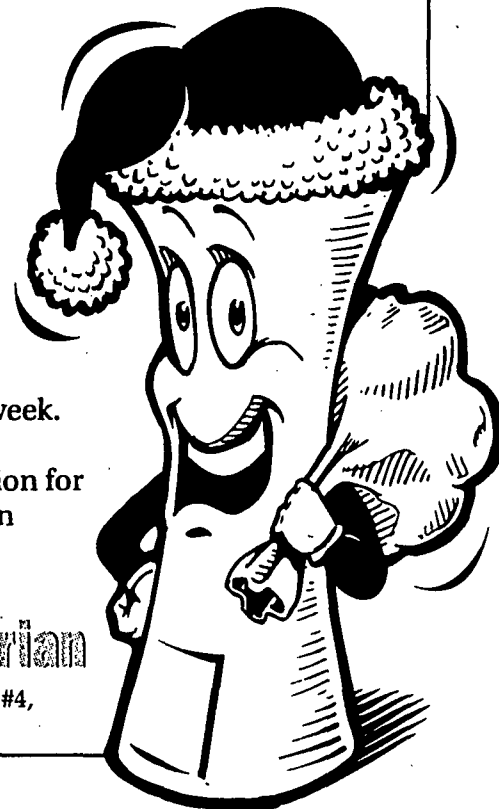
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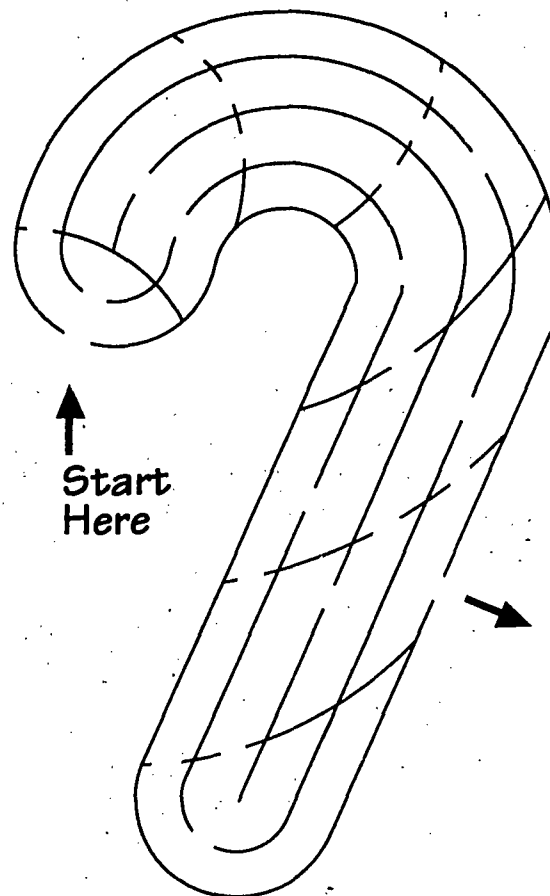
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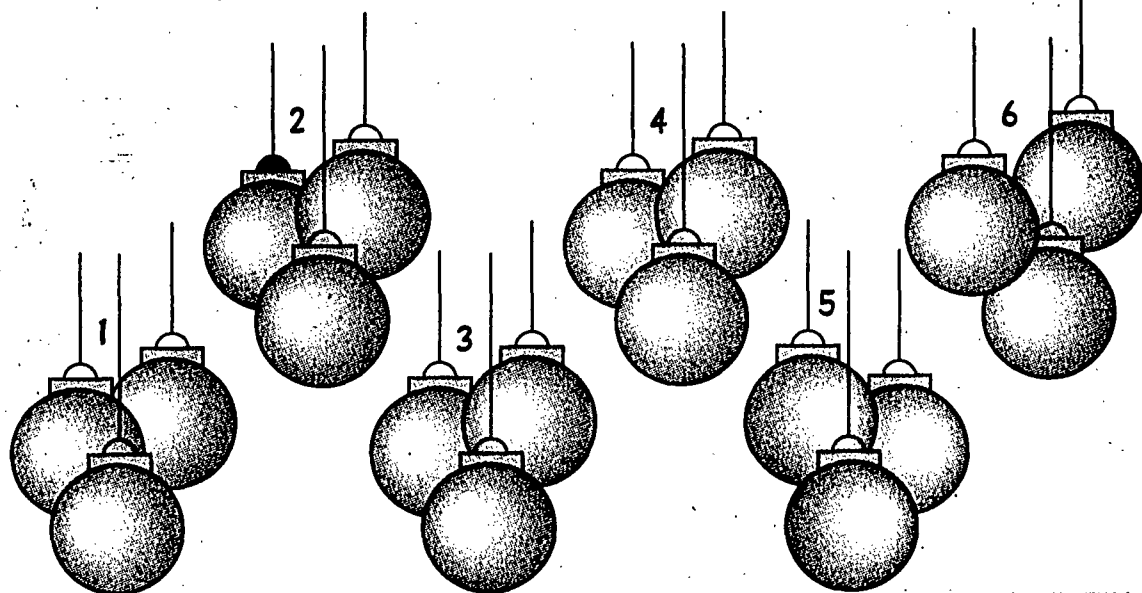
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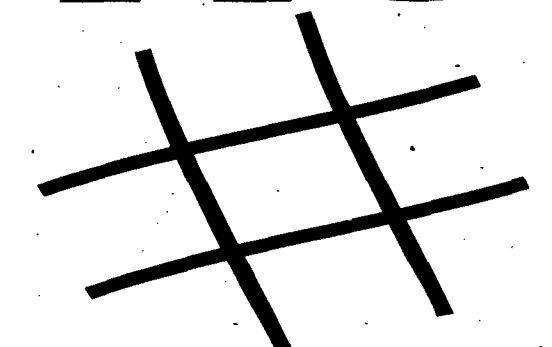
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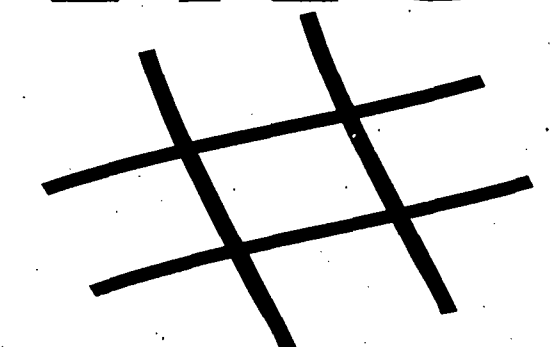


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